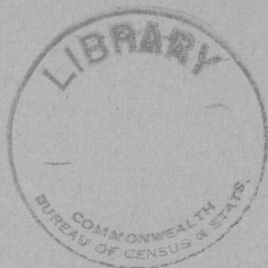


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Table No.:-	3.			5.	13.	
Period	Employment: Wage and Salary Earners (excluding rural workers, females in private domestic service, and defence forces) *			Wages and Salaries Paid (Weekly Average) *	New Houses and Flats : Private and Government	
	Males	Females	Persons		Approved	Completed
	Number at end of period—thousands			£ thousand	Number of Dwelling Units	
Year : 1938-39	529.9	168.0	697.9	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1947-48	702.3	261.9	964.2	6,976	29,676	15,415
1948-49	721.4†	269.9†	991.3†	8,133	33,117	18,758
1949-50	740.8	278.5	1,019.3	9,018	35,029	19,841
1950-51	758.2	291.0	1,049.2	11,385	37,988	20,737
1951-52	754.4	270.5	1,024.9	14,364	24,419	24,576
1952-53	734.3	266.2	1,000.5	15,090	23,156	26,554
1953-54	758.1	279.5	1,037.6	16,043	30,655	27,524
1953 : July	733.0	266.8	999.8	15,654	2,738	6,262
Aug.	733.3	268.1	1,001.4		2,831	
Sept.	735.4	269.7	1,005.1		2,924	
Oct.	740.0	272.2	1,012.2	16,753	3,083	7,764
Nov.	745.0	276.7	1,021.7		2,731	
Dec.	747.8	278.8	1,026.6		2,638	
1954 : Jan.	748.1	277.0	1,025.1	15,303	2,108	6,209
Feb.	749.9	277.6	1,027.5		1,860	
Mar.	753.2	279.4	1,032.6		2,225	
Apr.	753.8	278.6	1,032.4	16,463	2,479	7,289
May	756.3	279.6	1,035.9		2,253	
June	758.1	279.5	1,037.6		2,785	
July	757.7	280.0	1,037.7	n.y.a.	2,514	n.y.a.
Aug.	758.8	281.4	1,040.2		2,712	
Sept.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	n.y.a.		n.y.a.	

Table No. :—	31.	37.		41.		43.
Period	Wool Sold at Auction*	Oversea Trade (Merchandise only)		Major Private Trading Banks		Savings Bank Deposits
		Imports	Exports.	Deposits	Advances	
	£ thousand	£A million, f.o.b.		At end of period—£ million		
Year : 1938-39	15,521	49.9	37.7	117.1	120.5	87.5
1947-48	52,972	150.4	134.7	265.4	142.9	237.0
1948-49	67,331	177.2	176.6	301.3	150.4	244.5
1949-50	107,714	214.0	216.6	394.0	166.2	258.9
1950-51	228,204	301.7	325.6	467.9	197.9	284.5
1951-52	105,261	426.8	193.9	413.6	276.0	304.5
1952-53	151,348	206.9	249.6	448.6	243.7	319.1
1953-54	144,795	277.6	251.7	483.1	281.6	339.8
1953: July	453	21.7	21.5	437.0	252.2	320.4
Aug.	2,208	19.4	12.3	432.1	250.0	322.6
Sept.	19,593	21.3	17.6	435.0	256.3	325.2
Oct.	19,593	19.9	25.6	445.7	267.7	325.8
Nov.	18,447	20.4	26.5	462.0	274.8	326.2
Dec.	11,501	23.8	26.0	477.3	272.8	327.7
1954: Jan.	11,212	24.5	19.0	493.5	261.5	329.4
Feb.	19,319	18.0	16.4	496.7	262.3	332.3
Mar.	19,799	29.6	29.8	505.2	263.7	331.3
Apr.	1,689	21.4	22.7	501.8	269.3	332.2
May	11,976	22.0	15.6	491.8	274.5	333.3
June	9,005	35.6	18.7	483.1	281.6	339.8
July	368	28.7	15.0	468.4	291.0	341.9
Aug.	3,631	24.0	10.9	463.6	297.5	343.1
Sept.	17,366	27.5	15.6	462.9	307.3	344.3

\* See notes to relevant table.  
restrictions.

† May, 1949 ; June affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power

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to detailed tables herein

14.		18.	23.	23.	23.	Table No.
N.S.W. Government Railways		New Cars, Taxis, Buses and Lorries, etc. Registered	Coal Production	Electricity Generated	Ingot Steel Production	Period
Passenger Journeys	Goods (ex- cluding live- stock) Carried					
Millions	Thousand tons	Number	Thousand tons	Mill. kWh.	Thousand tons	
186.7	14,679	28,335	9,987	1,948	1,168**	1938-39: Year
263.0	17,407	26,200	11,780	3,546	1,343**	1947-48
263.1	16,903	37,665	11,736	3,717	1,129	1943-49
258.2	15,890	61,656	11,290	3,758	1,266	1949-50
268.6	17,131	76,172	12,683	4,241	1,405	1950-51
268.2	18,528	67,448	14,800	4,628	1,473	1951-52
271.7	17,877	50,057	14,289	4,868	1,846	1952-53
278.9	19,351	64,993	15,013p	5,320	2,086	1953-54
22.1	1,794	5,299	1,426	467	184	July: 1953
24.0	1,679	4,305	1,345	448	183	Aug.
22.4	1,700	5,386	1,356	434	167	Sept.
22.7	1,638	5,663	1,350	439	184	Oct.
24.1	1,636	5,788	1,284	424	178	Nov.
22.6	1,455	6,057	993	414	163	Dec.
22.8	1,459	3,925	915	408	176	Jan.: 1954
22.8	1,424	4,377	1,136	395	148	Feb.
24.5	1,781	6,235	1,416	463	175	Mar.
23.2	1,484	5,544	1,166	436	173	Apr.
24.8	1,666	6,086	1,313p	490	183	May
22.9	1,635	6,328	1,313p	502	172	June
22.2	1,724	6,769	1,335p	534	198	July
24.3	1,678	6,693	1,308p	515	189	Aug.
22.7	1,692	7,175	1,381p	n.y.a.	193	Sept.

42.	46.	47.	52.	54.	55.	Table No.
Trading Banks : Debits to Customers' Accounts.*	Sydney Stock Exchange  Share Values	Real Estate Transfers and Conveyances	Wholesale Prices (Aust.) Index *	Retail Prices : Total "C" Series Index (Sydney)*	Basic Wage, Sydney  Adult Males *	Period
Weekly Average —£ million.	Index *	£ thousand	Average 1936-37 to 1938-39 = 100	Wtd. Av. for 6 Capitals in 1923-27 = 1000	s. per week	
n.a.	175.6	35,272	101	928	81††	1938-39: Year
69	262.6	60,202	159	1259	114††	1947-48
83	258.2	62,229	181	1378	124††	1949-49
105	270.0	125,952	205	1504	135††	1949-50
145	334.1	192,311	246	1729	173††	1950-51
157	301.0	179,581	300	2140	216††	1951-52
152	253.1	143,909	320	2327	238††	1952-53
172	267.0	188,032	321pr	2384	243	1953-54
164	258.0	15,631	325	2388	241	July: 1953
146	262.7	14,395	335		243	Aug.
168	264.4	15,614	333		243	Sept.
168	261.7	14,930	329		243	Oct.
173	261.0	15,004	321	2385	243	Nov.
187	264.1	15,070	317		243	Dec.
152	271.6	13,594	317p	2391	243	Jan.: 1954
165	273.3	12,944	316p		243	Feb.
185	273.0	18,395	316p		243	Mar.
166	268.6	16,008	316p		243	Apr.
183	271.4	18,840	316pr	2373	243	May
195	274.5	17,607	316pr		243	June
182	282.2	17,933	316p		243	July
171	292.4	2,0148	316p	2372	243	Aug.
180	291.5	20,743	317p		243	Sept.

|| Estimated.

\*\* Year ended 31st May.

†† Operative from February.

## 2. Wage and Salary Earners : Employment by Principal Industrial Groups in N.S.W.

(See notes above Table 3.)

Month	Mining and Quarrying	Factories †	Building and Con- struction	Transport and Com- munication	Finance and Property	Wholesale Trade, etc.	Retail Trade	Profession- al and Personal Services ‡	Total Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Em- ployment*
Thousands									
MALES									
1939: July	24.7	158.8	57.9	77.4	.....	59.0	.....	44.0	529.9
1945: June	24.5	214.8	32.5	85.2	11.3	24.3	30.1	45.4	536.0
1946: June	25.8	236.3	44.1	96.8	16.5	33.4	40.6	56.1	618.5
1948: June	28.1	265.2	60.1	107.9	19.5	39.8	49.3	64.7	702.3
1950: June	28.1	277.2	67.9	114.4	21.2	45.2	50.3	67.2	740.8
1951: June	29.6	282.4	73.1	114.1	21.8	47.9	51.0	67.2	758.2
1952: June	31.6	274.7	76.1	115.2	22.0	47.3	49.0	67.2	754.4
1953: Mar.	31.3	269.6	62.3	113.0	22.2	46.7	48.7	67.3	731.8
Apr.	31.2	270.7	62.8	112.7	22.2	46.1	48.6	67.2	732.3
May	30.7	271.8	63.3	113.4	22.2	46.1	48.7	67.1	734.1
June	30.1	272.2	63.3	113.5	22.2	46.2	48.8	67.1	734.3
July	30.7	272.1	62.9	112.7	22.1	45.8	48.7	66.9	733.0
Aug.	30.7	272.3	62.4	113.0	22.0	46.4	48.7	66.9	733.3
1954: Mar.	30.8	281.4	66.7	114.3	22.4	48.7	50.1	68.0	753.2
Apr.	30.8	282.2	67.6	113.7	22.4	48.2	50.3	67.7	753.8
May	30.8	282.9	69.0	113.4	22.4	48.4	50.8	67.5	756.3
June	30.9	283.8	69.3	114.0	22.5	48.3	50.6	67.6	758.1
July	30.1	283.7	69.7	114.6	22.4	48.2	50.4	67.2	757.7
Aug.	30.0	284.6	69.7	114.4	22.4	48.6	50.5	67.3	758.8
FEMALES									
1939: July	0.1	59.3	0.5	4.2	.....	8.5	.....	36.0	168.0
1945: June	0.2	86.9	0.7	14.5	10.7	10.3	37.5	69.8	247.9
1946: June	0.2	82.3	0.9	13.0	10.1	10.9	39.1	73.3	242.3
1948: June	0.2	90.2	1.1	13.9	10.9	12.9	43.0	79.6	261.9
1950: June	0.3	97.2	1.3	15.3	12.6	14.3	43.7	83.1	278.5
1951: June	0.3	102.0	1.5	16.1	13.9	16.0	45.9	83.9	291.0
1952: June	0.4	84.2	1.7	15.7	14.6	15.7	42.8	83.6	270.5
1953: Mar.	0.3	85.3	1.7	14.1	14.4	15.2	41.1	82.8	266.4
Apr.	0.4	85.6	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.2	41.1	83.1	266.8
May	0.3	85.8	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.2	41.2	82.6	266.6
June	0.3	86.0	1.8	14.0	14.2	15.1	41.0	82.2	266.2
July	0.3	86.5	1.9	14.1	14.2	15.0	41.1	82.0	266.8
Aug.	0.3	87.1	1.8	13.9	14.2	15.5	41.4	82.2	268.1
1954: Mar.	0.3	93.5	2.0	14.1	15.0	16.3	42.9	83.7	279.4
Apr.	0.3	92.8	2.0	14.2	15.1	16.2	42.5	83.9	278.6
May	0.3	93.1	2.0	14.3	15.1	16.3	42.9	84.1	279.6
June	0.3	92.9	2.0	14.3	15.1	16.2	43.1	84.1	279.5
July	0.3	93.4	2.0	14.2	15.3	16.3	42.8	83.9	280.0
Aug.	0.3	93.9	2.0	14.3	15.4	16.5	42.9	84.2	281.4
PERSONS									
1939: July	24.8	218.1	58.4	81.6	.....	67.5	.....	80.0	697.9
1945: June	24.7	301.7	33.2	99.7	22.0	34.6	67.6	115.2	783.9
1946: June	26.0	318.6	45.0	109.8	26.6	44.3	79.7	129.4	860.8
1948: June	28.3	355.4	61.2	121.8	30.4	52.7	92.3	144.3	964.2
1950: June	28.4	374.4	69.2	129.7	33.8	59.5	94.0	150.3	1,019.3
1951: June	29.9	384.4	74.6	130.2	35.7	63.9	96.9	151.1	1,049.2
1952: June	32.0	358.9	77.8	130.9	36.6	63.0	91.8	150.8	1,024.9
1953: Mar.	31.6	354.9	64.0	127.1	36.6	61.9	89.8	150.1	998.2
Apr.	31.6	356.3	64.6	126.7	36.4	61.3	89.7	150.3	999.1
May	31.0	357.6	65.1	127.4	36.4	61.3	89.9	149.7	1,000.7
June	30.4	358.2	65.1	127.5	36.4	61.3	89.8	149.3	1,000.5
July	31.0	358.6	64.8	126.8	36.3	60.8	89.8	148.9	999.8
Aug.	31.0	359.4	64.2	126.9	36.2	61.9	90.1	149.1	1,001.4
1954: Mar.	31.1	374.9	68.7	128.4	37.4	65.0	93.0	151.7	1,032.6
Apr.	31.1	375.0	69.6	127.9	37.5	64.4	92.8	151.6	1,032.4
May	31.1	376.0	71.0	127.7	37.5	64.7	93.7	151.6	1,035.9
June	31.2	376.7	71.3	128.3	37.6	64.5	93.7	151.7	1,037.6
July	30.4	377.1	71.7	128.8	37.7	64.5	93.2	151.1	1,037.7
Aug.	30.3	378.5	71.7	128.7	37.8	65.1	93.4	151.5	1,040.2

\* Including miscellaneous groups (71,300 males, 11,900 females, 83,200 persons in August, 1954) not shown in the table.  
 † From July, 1949, subject to revision.  
 ‡ Includes Education, Health, Law, Hotels and Restaurants, and other Professional and Personal Services.



### 3. Wage and Salary Earners in Civil Employment in N.S.W.—Governmental and Private

(Excluding Rural Workers; Females in Private Domestic Service and Defence Forces.)

(1) Particulars in Tables 2 and 3 are estimates based on the National Register of 1939, the Civilian Register of 1943, and the Occupation Survey of 1945, and returns supplied monthly by employers for purposes of Commonwealth pay-roll taxation and by governmental authorities.

(2) The Pay-roll Tax returns show the number of employees whose names appeared on the last pay-roll of the month, irrespective of whether they were actually working at the end of the month.

(3) Workers in rural industry, females in private domestic service, members of the full-time defence forces at home or abroad, and National Service Trainees in camp are excluded.

Month	Government Authorities*			Private Employment			Total Employment		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Thousands									
1939: July	136.5	19.4	155.9	393.4	148.6	542.0	529.9	168.0	697.9
1943: June	157.1	45.1	202.2	368.0	209.3	577.3	525.1	254.4	779.5
1945: June	156.0	43.6	199.6	380.0	204.3	584.3	536.0	247.9	783.9
1946: June	169.0	33.4	202.4	449.5	208.9	658.4	618.5	242.3	860.8
1947: June	178.2	32.3	210.5	493.6	219.8	713.4	671.8	252.1	923.9
1948: June	186.1	33.6	219.7	516.2	228.3	744.5	702.3	261.9	964.2
1949: May†	193.8	35.7	229.5	527.6	234.2	761.8	721.4	269.9	991.3
1950: June	202.7	39.1	241.8	538.1	239.4	777.5	740.8	278.5	1,019.3
1951: June	207.2	41.4	248.6	551.0	249.6	800.6	758.2	291.0	1,049.2
1952: June	214.0	41.9	255.9	540.4	228.6	769.0	754.4	270.5	1,024.9
1952: Sept.	211.5	40.6	252.1	523.8	223.2	747.0	735.3	263.8	999.1
Oct.	207.1	39.8	246.9	523.2	223.8	747.0	730.3	263.6	993.9
Nov.	205.5	39.6	245.1	523.3	224.4	747.7	728.8	264.0	992.8
Dec.	205.0	39.0	244.0	522.1	225.5	747.6	727.1	264.5	991.6
1953: Jan.	201.3	39.0	240.3	522.6	223.3	745.9	723.9	262.3	986.2
Feb.	203.7	39.6	243.3	524.9	225.6	750.5	728.6	265.2	993.8
Mar.	205.0	39.4	244.4	526.8	227.0	753.8	731.8	266.4	998.2
Apr.	205.4	39.3	244.7	526.9	227.5	754.4	732.3	266.8	999.1
May	206.3	39.3	245.6	527.8	227.3	755.1	734.1	266.6	1,000.7
June	206.8	39.3	246.1	527.5	226.9	754.4	734.3	266.2	1,000.5
July	206.4	39.4	245.8	526.6	227.4	754.0	733.0	266.8	999.8
Aug.	206.2	39.3	245.5	527.1	228.8	755.9	733.3	268.1	1,001.4
Sept.	206.2	39.2	245.4	529.2	230.5	759.7	735.4	269.7	1,005.1
Oct.	206.2	39.0	245.2	533.8	233.2	767.0	740.0	272.2	1,012.2
Nov.	207.2	39.0	246.2	537.8	237.7	775.5	745.0	276.7	1,021.7
Dec.	207.9	38.9	246.8	539.9	239.9	779.8	747.8	278.8	1,026.6
1954: Jan.	207.2	38.9	246.1	540.9	238.1	779.0	748.1	277.0	1,025.1
Feb.	208.1	39.7	247.8	541.8	237.9	779.7	749.9	277.6	1,027.5
Mar.	209.2	39.7	248.9	544.0	239.7	783.7	753.2	279.4	1,032.6
Apr.	209.4	39.9	249.3	544.4	238.7	783.1	753.8	278.6	1,032.4
May	210.0	39.9	249.9	546.3	239.7	786.0	756.3	279.6	1,035.9
June	210.6	40.0	250.6	547.5	239.5	787.0	758.1	279.5	1,037.6
July	210.9	40.3	251.2	546.8	239.7	786.5	757.7	280.0	1,037.7
Aug.	211.3	40.4	251.7	547.5	241.0	788.5	758.8	281.4	1,040.2

\* Employees of Commonwealth, State, local, and allied governmental authorities.

† June, 1949, affected by an industrial dispute in coal mines and power restrictions.

### 4. Employment in Larger Private Factories, New South Wales

In order to provide a prompt indication of the trend of employment in private factories, a survey of employment in 628 larger privately-owned factories in New South Wales is made each month, by joint arrangement between the Secretary of the Department of Labour and National Service and the Acting Commonwealth Statistician. Approximately half of total factory employment is covered by the collection, the results of which are available one month earlier than particulars of total factory employment shown in Table 2.

Larger Private Factories—Employment at end of Month											
Industrial Group	Males			Females			Persons				
	1954			1954			1954				
	July	August	Sept.	July	August	Sept.	July	August	Sept.		
	July	August	Sept.	July	August	Sept.	July	August	Sept.		
Building Materials ...	12,766	12,854	12,878	1,228	1,224	1,243	13,994	14,078	14,121		
Basic Metals ...	28,732	28,784	28,779	1,091	1,108	1,109	29,823	29,892	29,888		
Transportation Equipment ...	16,184	16,263	16,423	1,219	1,232	1,241	17,403	17,495	17,664		
Other Metal Manufacture ...	37,959	38,490	38,750	8,606	8,839	9,047	46,565	47,329	47,797		
Chemicals and Allied Products ...	6,633	6,611	6,555	2,002	2,044	1,968	8,635	8,655	8,523		
Clothing and Textiles ...	11,471	11,288	11,182	19,438r	19,264	19,154	30,909r	30,552	30,336		
Food ...	9,548	9,560	9,566	4,202	4,185	4,220	13,750	13,745	13,786		
All Other ...	20,853	20,715	21,079	6,651	6,205	6,918	27,504	26,920	27,997		
Total—All Groups ...	144,146	144,565	145,212	44,437r	44,101	44,900	188,583r	188,666	190,112		
Excluding Food ...	134,598	135,005	135,646	40,235r	39,916	40,680	174,833r	174,921	176,326		

### 5. Wages and Salaries Paid and Average Earnings, N.S.W.\*

Year.	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average †	Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit ‡	Quarter	Total Wages and Salaries Paid : Weekly Average				Average Weekly Earnings per Male Unit			
				1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
	£ thousand	£		£ thousand				£	£	£	£
1946-47	5,838	6.81									
1947-48	6,976	7.73									
1948-49	8,133	8.73	Sept. Qr.	10,024	13,387	14,934	15,654	10.27	13.26	15.23	16.01
1949-50	9,018	9.50	Dec. Qr.	11,233	14,988	15,729	16,753	11.37	14.75	16.24	16.87
1950-51	11,385	11.46	Mar. Qr.	11,413	14,083	14,241	15,303	11.41	13.94	14.70	15.33
1951-52	14,364	14.24	June Qr.	12,869	14,998	15,456	16,463	12.78	15.02	15.84	16.38
1952-53	15,090	15.50									
1953-54	16,043	16.15									

\* Includes Australian Capital Territory. † Excludes pay of members of the armed forces. ‡ Total wages divided by total civil employment expressed in male units. Male units equals the number of males plus a proportion of females, based on the approximate ratio of average female earnings to average male earnings.

### 6. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Amount of Benefits Paid and Admissions to Unemployment Benefit

Period	Number Admitted to Unemployment Benefit during Period			Amount of Benefits Paid during Period			
	Males	Females	Persons	Unemployment	Sickness	Special †	Total
				£	£	£	£
Year : 1948-49	2,092	165	2,257	23,279	302,298	53,925	379,502
1949-50 ‡	103,599	23,901	127,500	1,064,698	307,315	176,698	1,548,711
1950-51	5,605	601	6,206	25,324	296,418	50,303	372,045
1951-52	7,680	3,258	10,938	55,135	262,244	33,502	350,881
1952-53	76,668	11,972	88,640	2,686,297	546,432	72,932	3,305,661
1953-54p	18,854	4,599	23,453	1,247,215	697,949	132,797	2,077,961
1953 : August	3,704	716	4,420	176,731	55,419	13,429	245,579
September	2,062	415	2,477	168,961	61,456	12,915	243,332
October	1,641	369	2,010	144,078	58,855	11,673	214,606
November	876	285	1,161	102,690	54,263	11,174	168,127
December	1,200	264	1,464	89,409	75,479	14,756	179,644
1954 : January	1,818	332	2,150	77,149	51,238	7,802	136,189
February	1,041	296	1,337	78,232	53,595	7,830	139,657
March	663	278	941	69,794	63,780	9,805	143,379
April	592	250	842	47,042	57,439	8,961	113,442
May	722	334	1,056	53,823	61,627	10,268	125,718
June	497	250	747	33,824	47,780	9,416	91,020
July	661	327	988	44,579	68,600	12,017	125,196
August	389	220	609	31,769	56,155	9,843	97,767
September	291	180	471	26,212	68,245	11,342	105,799

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Including payments to immigrants during training for employment.

‡ Affected by power restrictions occasioned by an industrial dispute.

### 7. Unemployment, Sickness, and Special Benefits in New South Wales\*: Number Receiving Benefits at End of each Month

Last Saturday of Month	Unemployment			Sickness	Special †	All Benefits
	Males	Females	Persons	Persons		
1953 : June	12,044	2,585	14,629	3,413	1,074	19,116
July	11,541	2,755	14,296	3,509	1,081	18,886
August	9,790	2,432	12,222	3,603	893	16,718
September	8,008	1,967	9,975	3,633	893	14,501
October	5,385	1,685	7,070	3,479	837	11,386
November	4,254	1,405	5,659	3,483	803	9,945
December	4,393	1,349	5,742	3,219	759	9,720
1954 : January	4,309	1,280	5,589	3,124	752	9,465
February	3,327	1,118	4,445	3,274	753	8,472
March	2,612	1,063	3,675	3,276	727	7,678
April	2,401	1,044	3,445	3,103	713	7,266
May	2,053	961	3,014	3,324	747	7,085
June	1,876	934	2,810	3,320	767	6,897
July	1,720	910	2,630	3,531	786	6,947
August	1,476	753	2,229	3,684	775	6,688
September	1,184	642	1,826	3,643	795	6,264

\* Including Australian Capital Territory.

† Excluding immigrants.

## 8. Industrial Disputes in New South Wales

Compiled by N.S.W. Department of Labour and Industry and Social Welfare

Period	Disputes	Employees Involved			Man-working Days Lost by Employees Involved		
		Mining	Non-mining	Total	Mining	Non-mining	Total
	Number			Thousands			
Year : 1939	533	203	9	212	381	65	446
1946	986	181	82	263	300	616	916
1947	1,328	221	78	299	392	735	1,127
1948	1,506	229	48	277	497	278	775
1949	1,303	167	49	216	770	248	1,018
1950	1,694	221	138	359	294	325	619
1951	1,443	335	144	479	409	328	737
1952	1,297	194	181	375	274	485	759
1953	1,119	138	171	309	355	385	740
1953 : September	85	20	19	39	46	101	147
October	89	22	23	45	39	24	63
November	61	15	7	22	24	8	32
December	9	1	6	7	1	11	12
1954 : January	43	12	9	21	19	11	30
February	51	10	6	16	18	9	27
March	101	21	4	25	38	6	44
April	70	15	1	16	24	6	30
May	60	6	8	14	9	12	21
June	86	14	10	24	19	11	30
July	128	22	10	32	33	30	63
August	101	35	16	51	47	60	107
September	89	16	14	30	22	21	43

Monthly particulars are approximate.

## 9. Population of New South Wales

Date of Census	Population			Males per 100 Females	Average Annual Rate of Increase since Previous Census
	Males	Females	Persons		
3rd April, 1911	857,698	789,036	1,646,734	109	Per cent 1.97*
4th April, 1921	1,071,501	1,028,870	2,100,371	104	2.46
30th June, 1953	1,318,471	1,282,376	2,600,847	103	1.76
30th June, 1947	1,492,211	1,492,627	2,984,838	100	0.99
30th June, 1954†	1,721,402	1,702,485	3,423,887	101	1.98

\* Since 31st March, 1901.

† Field Count only; subject to revision.

The population of Metropolis (Sydney and Suburbs) at 30th June, 1954, was 1,861,685 persons (derived from the initial Field Count of the Census). The area of the statistical metropolis was enlarged as from 1st January, 1954.

## 10. Births, Deaths, and Marriages, New South Wales

Period	Live Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Marriages	Deaths Under One Year	
					Number	Rate*
Year : 1949	68,812	29,364	39,448	28,757	1,878	27.3
1950	71,592	30,965	40,627	30,036	1,935	27.0
1951	72,069	31,932	40,137	30,341	1,895	26.3
1952	74,196	32,038	42,158	29,351	1,818	24.5
1953	74,890	31,707	43,183	27,573	1,846	24.0
1953 : Mar. Qr.	19,056	6,858	12,198	6,968	427	22.4
June Qr.	18,401	7,767	10,634	7,048	437	23.7
Sept. Qr.	18,923	9,160	9,763	6,033	497	26.3
Dec. Qr.	18,510	7,922	10,588	7,524	485	26.2
1954 : Mar. Qr.	18,123	6,853	11,270	7,145	442	24.4
June Qr.	18,607	8,168	10,439	6,926	485	26.1

\* Per 1,000 live births.

## BUILDING ACTIVITY IN NEW SOUTH WALES

Note 1. "Value" represents the estimated cost of the building when completed (exclusive of the land).

2. Building is classified as "government" or "private" according to ownership.
3. The value of building approved is the value of permits issued by local government councils, plus the value of contracts let or work commenced and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities.
4. Buildings on rural holdings are for the most part excluded.

### 11. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Area of State

Period	Private Total, N.S.W.	Government Total, N.S.W.	Private and Government				
			Division of Cumberland			Rest of State	Total, N.S.W.
			Metropolis †	Balance †	Total		
			£ thousand				
Year : 1947	41,817	7,322	24,551	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	49,139
1948	49,443	11,343	28,839	12,191	41,030	19,756	60,786
1949	58,923	14,244	34,419	13,847	48,266	24,901	73,167
1950	82,118	17,375	45,276	19,655	64,931	34,562	99,493
1951	97,712	22,386	52,249	23,626	75,875	44,223	120,098
1952	66,404	12,252	32,607	16,311	48,918	29,738	78,656
1953	90,224	21,361	49,526	22,499	72,025	39,560	111,585
1953: Jan.-Aug.	58,729	11,636	31,179	14,298	45,477	24,888	70,365
1954: Jan.-Aug.	70,343	12,269	51,000	2,092	53,092	29,520	82,612
1953: June	8,530	1,326	4,557	1,976	6,533	3,323	9,856
July	8,290	2,173	4,708	2,092	6,800	3,663	10,463
Aug.	8,380	1,959	5,075	1,868	6,943	3,396	10,339
1954: June	9,607	2,287	7,051	282	7,333	4,561	11,894
July	10,395	1,516	7,056	275	7,331	4,580	11,911
Aug.	10,017	1,038	6,675	299	6,974	4,081	11,055

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined. † Metropolis enlarged on 1st January, 1954, by transfer of 425 sq. miles from "Balance of Cumberland." Figures since January, 1954, are not comparable with those for earlier periods.

### 12. Value of Private and Government Building\* Approved : Class of Building

Period	Houses	Flats and Conversions to Flats	Hotels, Guest Houses, etc.	Shops and Shops with Dwellings	Factories	Other Buildings	Total
£ thousand							
DIVISION OF CUMBERLAND							
Year : 1948	30,858	1,989	103	477	4,389	3,214	41,030
1949	35,574	2,499	33	724	4,357	5,079	48,266
1950	46,009	3,596	129	1,271	6,901	7,025	64,931
1951	47,801	3,589	500	1,533	9,725	12,727	75,875
1952	31,112	1,124	503	1,147	6,585	8,447	48,918
1953	49,258	973	1,324	2,608	4,762	13,100	72,025
1953: Jan.-Aug.	31,064	463	738	1,665	2,959	8,588	45,477
1954: Jan.-Aug.	33,585	532	958	4,112	5,331	8,574	53,092
1953: June	3,984	85	114	241	362	1,747	6,533
July	4,795	99	207	222	423	1,054	6,800
Aug.	4,905	122	133	497	280	1,006	6,943
1954: June	4,881	61	133	383	750	1,125	7,333
July	4,290	23	60	573	1,175	1,210	7,331
Aug.	5,042	106	68	304	489	965	6,974
NEW SOUTH WALES							
Year : 1948	46,219	2,267	247	922	5,424	5,707	60,786
1949	54,630	2,991	111	1,178	5,187	9,070	73,167
1950	70,063	4,379	359	2,336	8,619	13,737	99,493
1951	77,067	4,195	1,090	2,906	14,460	20,380	120,098
1952	52,853	1,353	1,227	2,018	8,159	13,046	78,656
1953	78,294	1,632	2,184	4,155	5,475	19,845	111,585
1953: Jan.-Aug.	49,299	896	1,232	2,496	3,397	13,045	70,365
1954: Jan.-Aug.	52,463	1,066	1,706	5,472	6,363	15,542	82,612
1953: June	6,519	111	162	359	514	2,191	9,856
July	7,230	134	317	415	437	1,930	10,463
Aug.	7,507	147	165	563	357	1,600	10,339
1954: June	7,562	180	220	590	857	2,485	11,894
July	6,978	172	178	748	1,264	2,571	11,911
Aug.	7,831	166	202	485	548	1,823	11,055

\* New buildings and alterations and additions combined.



## 13. New House and Flat Building, New South Wales : Number of Dwelling Units

Period	Houses				Flats				Houses and Flats			
	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *	Ap- proved †	Com- menced	Com- pleted	Un- com- pleted *
PRIVATE												
Year : 1948 †	26,496	17,092	13,867	16,621	1,069	904	602	801	27,565	17,996	14,469	17,422
1949 †	28,359	17,933	14,767	19,787	1,039	730	734	797	29,398	18,663	15,501	20,584
1950 †	31,020	19,437	15,866	23,358	1,364	744	634	907	32,384	20,181	16,500	24,265
1951	28,206	21,336	16,252	28,442†	1,091	732	790	849	29,297	22,068	17,042	29,291†
1952	17,827	18,449	19,634	27,257†	271	295	744	529	18,098	18,744	20,378	27,786†
1953	23,103	20,324	21,051	26,530†	393	306	555	271	23,496	20,630	21,606	26,801†
1952 : June Qr.	4,167	4,795	4,933	28,252†	101	69	172	676	4,268	4,864	5,105	28,928†
Sept. Qr.	4,616	3,933	4,930	27,255†	40	73	160	589	4,656	4,006	5,090	27,841†
Dec. Qr.	4,738	4,755	4,753	27,257†	69	42	231	529	4,807	4,797	4,984	27,786†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	5,101	4,276	5,320	26,213†	71	40	163	400	5,172	4,316	5,483	26,613†
June Qr.	5,781	5,089	4,987	26,315†	97	68	172	292	5,878	5,157	5,159	26,607†
Sept. Qr.	6,436	5,589	4,803	27,101†	132	126	122	296	6,568	5,715	4,925	27,397†
Dec. Qr.	5,785	5,370	5,941	26,530†	93	72	98	271	5,878	5,442	6,039	26,801†
1954 : Mar. Qr.	5,164	5,555	5,134	26,951†	101	131	116	282	5,265	5,686	5,250	27,233†
June Qr.	6,053	5,644	5,415	27,180†	139	114	42	354	6,192	5,758	5,457	27,534†

## GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948	2,689	3,974	3,385	4,579	729	427	187	444	3,418	4,401	3,572	5,023
1949	3,524	3,419	3,509	4,489	639	630	285	789	4,163	4,049	3,794	5,278
1950	3,909	3,739	3,453	4,775	505	815	335	1,269	4,414	4,554	3,788	6,044
1951	5,247	4,322	4,127	4,970	507	523	330	1,462	5,754	4,845	4,457	6,432
1952	843	2,931	5,250	2,651	(-) 25	236	635	1,063	818	3,167	5,885	3,714
1953	6,232	5,071	4,547	3,175	348	148	1,000	211	6,580	5,219	5,547	3,386
1952 : June Qr.	294	987	1,225	4,554	...	174	141	1,469	294	1,161	1,366	6,023
Sept. Qr.	195	563	1,458	3,659	...	26	84	1,411	195	589	1,542	5,070
Dec. Qr.	367	455	1,463	2,651	...	...	348	1,063	367	455	1,811	3,714
1953 : Mar. Qr.	1,160	927	1,048	2,530	36	...	190	873	1,196	927	1,238	3,403
June Qr.	816	1,032	931	2,631	69	42	316	599	885	1,074	1,247	3,230
Sept. Qr.	1,839	1,199	1,115	2,715	86	53	222	430	1,925	1,252	1,337	3,145
Dec. Qr.	2,417	1,913	1,453	3,175	157	53	272	211	2,574	1,966	1,725	3,386
1954 : Mar. Qr.	852	1,642	914	3,903	76	206	45	372	928	1,848	959	4,275
June Qr.	1,292	1,483	1,738	3,648	33	46	94	324	1,325	1,529	1,832	3,972

## PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT

Year : 1948†	29,185	21,066	17,252	21,200	1,798	1,331	789	1,245	30,983	22,397	18,041	22,445
1949†	31,883	21,352	18,276	24,276	1,678	1,360	1,019	1,586	33,561	22,712	19,295	25,862
1950†	34,929	23,176	19,319	28,133	1,869	1,559	969	2,176	36,798	24,735	20,288	30,309
1951	33,453	25,658	20,379	33,412†	1,598	1,255	1,120	2,311	35,051	26,913	21,499	35,723†
1952	18,670	21,380	24,884	29,908†	246	531	1,379	1,592	18,916	21,911	26,263	31,500†
1953	29,335	25,395	25,598	29,705†	741	454	1,555	482	30,076	25,849	27,153	30,187†
1952 : June Qr.	4,461	5,782	6,158	32,806†	101	243	313	2,145	4,562	6,025	6,471	34,951†
Sept. Qr.	4,811	4,496	6,388	30,914†	40	99	244	2,000	4,851	4,595	6,632	32,914†
Dec. Qr.	5,105	5,210	6,216	29,908†	69	42	579	1,592	5,174	5,252	6,795	31,500†
1953 : Mar. Qr.	6,261	5,203	6,368	28,743†	107	40	353	1,273	6,368	5,243	6,721	30,016†
June Qr.	6,597	6,121	5,918	28,946†	166	110	488	891	6,763	6,231	6,406	29,837†
Sept. Qr.	8,275	6,788	5,918	29,816†	128	179	344	726	8,493	6,967	6,262	30,542†
Dec. Qr.	8,202	7,283	7,394	29,705†	250	125	370	482	8,452	7,408	7,764	30,187†
1954 : Mar. Qr.	6,016	7,197	6,048	30,854†	177	337	161	654	6,193	7,534	6,209	31,508†
June Qr.	7,345	7,127	7,153	30,828†	172	160	136	678	7,517	7,287	7,289	31,506†

\* At end of period. Includes some private houses on which work has been suspended or abandoned. † Partly estimated.  
 ‡ "Private approved"—local government permits to build. "Government approved"—contracts let and day labour projects authorised by governmental authorities. Statistics of dwellings approved are available monthly; figures for current months are as follows:—

Ownership	Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
New Houses and Flats Approved : Number of Dwelling Units.													
Private	1953	1,512	1,698	1,962	1,953	1,843	2,082	2,150	2,117	2,301	2,024	2,017	1,837
	1954	1,652	1,642	1,971	1,930	1,981	2,281	2,100	2,436				
Gov'tment	1953	224	477	495	262	289	334	588	714	623	1,059	714	801
	1954	456	218	254	549	272	504	414	276				
Total	1953	1,736	2,175	2,457	2,215	2,132	2,416	2,738	2,831	2,924	3,083	2,731	2,638
	1954	2,108	1,860	2,225	2,479	2,253	2,785	2,514	2,712				

(-) denotes excess of contracts cancelled over contracts let.

## 14. New South Wales Government Railways : Traffic and Finances §

Period	Passenger Journeys	Goods Carried (excluding livestock)	Earnings*	Working Expenses†	Excess of Earnings over Working Expenses
	Thousands	Thous. tons		£ thousand	
Year: 1938-39	186,720	14,679	19,146	14,543	4,603
1948-49	263,116	16,903	39,663	35,739	3,924
1949-50	258,183	15,890	40,122‡	39,281	841
1950-51	268,567	17,131	49,448	49,168	280
1951-52	268,168	18,528	68,910	64,020	4,890
1952-53	271,698	17,797	72,676	66,452	6,224
1953-54	278,904	19,351	74,569	67,397	7,172
1953: April	22,733	1,402	6,208	5,054	1,154
May	22,800	1,430	5,823	5,337	486
June	24,512	1,517	6,078	6,574¶	(—) 496
July	22,072	1,794	6,277	5,257	1,020
August	24,038	1,679	6,227	5,475	752
1954: April	23,178	1,484	5,691	5,338	353
May	24,825	1,666	6,269	5,747	522
June	22,903	1,635	7,690	8,198¶	(—) 508
July	22,211	1,724	6,058	5,379	679
August	24,306	1,678	6,490	5,473	1,017

\* Excludes grants from Consolidated Revenue (£1,800,000 in 1953-54). † Excluding capital charges such as interest, exchange, etc.; a proportion of sinking fund for retirement of assets is included. ‡ Excludes a special grant of £3m. by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949. § The electricity generating stations were transferred to Electricity Commission of N.S.W. on 1st January, 1953. ¶ Includes amounts not applicable to a particular month.

## 15. New South Wales Government Tramways and Omnibuses : Finances

Period	Gross Revenue			Working Expenses*	Excess of Revenue over Working Expenses
	Trams	Buses	Total		
	£ thousand				
Year: 1938-39	3,449	925	4,374	3,707	667
1948-49	5,098	3,643	8,741	8,580	161
1949-50	4,792	4,307	9,099†	9,538	(—) 439
1950-51	5,162	5,110	10,272	11,201	(—) 929
1951-52	5,510	5,680	11,190	13,807	(—) 2,617
1952-53	5,690	5,836	11,526	14,240	(—) 2,714
1953-54	5,542	6,033	11,575	13,631	(—) 2,056
1953: April	491	451	942	1,112	(—) 170
May	484	486	970	1,171	(—) 201
June	485	495	980	1,223	(—) 243
July	463	505	968	1,173	(—) 205
August	461	502	963	1,172	(—) 209
1954: April	469	504	973	1,126	(—) 153
May	466	513	979	1,171	(—) 192
June	454	449	903	1,123	(—) 220
July	451	490	941	1,106†	(—) 165†
August	449	508	957	1,107	(—) 150

\* Exclusive of sinking fund, interest on loan capital, exchange, and depreciation (£880,950 in year 1952-53).

† Excludes a special grant of £200,000 by the Commonwealth Government towards losses due to an industrial dispute in coal mines, June to August, 1949.

## 16. Port of Sydney : Cargoes Discharged and Shipped

Compiled by Maritime Services Board of New South Wales. Vessels transporting troops, war equipment and supplies are included. Warships are excluded.

Period	Oversea		Interstate		Intra-state		Total	
	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward	Inward	Outward
	Thousand tons (Measurement and Weight Combined)							
Year: 1938-39	2,045	1,429	1,187	798	1,896	340	5,128	2,567
1949-50	3,137	1,934	905	573	1,616	130	5,658	2,637
1950-51	3,851	1,521	892	540	1,781	135	6,524	2,196
1951-52	4,236	1,155	903	533	1,837	116	6,976	1,804
1952-53	2,452	1,255	871	675	1,881	92	5,204	2,022
1953-54	3,165	1,433	948	798	2,028	62	6,142	2,293
1953: Sept. Qr.	746	355	245	208	534	17	1,525	580
Dec. Qr.	737	386	244	166	578	10	1,559	562
1954: Mar. Qr.	799	346	209	201	402	25	1,410	572
June Qr.	885	346	249	223	514	10	1,648	579
Sept. Qr.	863	301	279	194	526	10	1,668	505

### 17. Motor Vehicles on the Register\* in New South Wales

End of Month	Cars	Omni-buses	Taxi-cabs and Hire Cars	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Trailers	All Other Vehicles†	Total on Register
1939 : June	213,331	1,430	3,278	76,726	294,765	24,151	6,414	2,298	327,628
1945 : June	182,972	1,891	2,962	82,957	270,782	16,068	9,065	2,397	298,312
1947 : June	195,857	2,200	3,330	113,544	314,931	25,172	14,712	3,635	358,450
1949 : June	232,837	2,947	3,562	140,338	379,684	36,379	21,525	6,362	443,950
1951 : June	308,294	3,363	4,159	181,529	497,345	46,851	28,131	9,328	581,655
1952 : June	338,640	3,429	4,474	196,295	542,838	47,552	31,429	10,482	632,301
1953 : Apr.	356,904	3,425	4,469	198,269	563,067	45,596	33,959	11,156	653,778
May	358,794	3,430	4,474	199,120	565,818	45,303	34,102	11,267	656,490
June	360,573	3,417	4,471	199,870	568,331	45,100	34,173	11,413	659,017
July	362,964	3,402	4,465	201,087	571,918	44,858	34,361	11,558	662,695
Aug.	365,076	3,411	4,460	201,837	574,784	44,672	34,663	11,649	665,768
1954 : Apr.	387,621	3,462	4,456	208,389	603,928	43,239	37,426	12,848	697,441
May	390,716	3,460	4,454	209,146	607,776	42,856	37,678	12,997	701,307
June	393,951	3,457	4,446	210,142	611,996	42,451	37,853	13,136	705,436
July	397,516	3,488	4,466	211,171	616,641	42,204	38,093	13,308	710,246
Aug.	401,308	3,513	4,473	212,623	621,557	42,044	38,405	13,467	715,473

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Comprises traders' plates, tourist vehicles, and tractors (excluding tractors used solely on farms); details are shown in the Statistical Bulletin (Quarterly).

### 18. New Motor Vehicles Registered\* in New South Wales : Types

Period	Cars†	Taxi-cabs‡	Omni-buses‡	Lorries, Utilities, and Vans	Total of foregoing	Motor Cycles	Tractors§ and Trailers	Total
Year : 1938-39	19,924	569	130	7,712	28,335	2,196	1,714	32,245
1947-48	16,659	133	329	9,079	26,200	4,451	3,521	34,172
1948-49	25,466	186	339	11,674	37,665	7,442	4,177	49,284
1949-50	41,163	133	212	20,158	61,666	8,659	5,004	75,329
1950-51	46,689	323	84	29,076	76,172	8,855	5,578	90,605
1951-52	41,426	267	127	25,628	67,448	6,018	5,779	79,245
1952-53	30,989	509	123	18,436	50,057	3,042	5,653	58,752
1953-54	43,174	445	117	21,257	64,993	2,964	6,216	74,173
1953 : April	2,661	14	8	1,537	4,220	235	381	4,836
May	2,648	45	6	1,795	4,494	209	341	5,044
June	2,481	50	10	1,779	4,320	207	328	4,855
July	3,161	55	11	2,072	5,299	232	404	5,935
August	2,663	57	15	1,570	4,305	216	409	4,930
1954 : April	3,742	23	17	1,762	5,544	307	450	6,301
May	4,147	27	8	1,904	6,086	272	469	6,827
June	4,320	28	8	1,972	6,328	192	458	6,978
July	4,553	28	9	2,179	6,769	247	489	7,505
August	4,595	38	14	2,046	6,693	224	509	7,426

\* Excludes defence vehicles. † Includes taxi-cabs and omnibuses in country districts. ‡ Metropolitan and Newcastle Districts only. § Tractors used solely on farms are not registered.

### 19. New Motor Vehicles Registered in New South Wales : Country of Origin

Period	Cars					Lorries, Utilities, and Vans				
	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total	Australia	United Kingdom	U.S.A., Canada	Other	Total
Year : 1938-39	...	38.8	60.6	0.6	19,924	...	25.0	74.6	0.4	7,712
1947-48	...	53.5	45.7	0.8	16,659	...	18.3	81.7	...	9,079
1948-49	3.1	76.5	18.7	1.7	25,466	...	50.1	49.8	0.1	11,674
1949-50	11.7	77.2	7.9	3.2	41,163	...	72.0	27.4	0.6	20,158
1950-51	16.5	67.5	10.1	5.9	46,689	1.9	75.8	21.7	0.6	29,076
1951-52	19.3	62.2	11.8	6.7	41,426	7.9	63.7	26.8	1.6	25,628
1952-53	32.3	50.1	14.5	3.1	30,989	18.8	49.8	29.4	2.0	18,436
1953-54	29.3	53.1	14.2	3.4	43,174	19.8	48.9	29.3	2.0	21,257
1953 : April	34.8	46.3	15.3	3.6	2,661	18.8	46.6	32.1	2.5	1,537
May	33.3	47.1	16.5	3.1	2,648	13.8	49.0	35.5	1.7	1,795
June	35.7	45.8	15.8	2.7	2,481	16.5	50.0	32.5	1.0	1,779
July	34.9	44.8	18.3	2.0	3,161	16.7	48.6	33.2	1.5	2,072
August	34.4	48.0	15.3	2.3	2,663	19.1	47.5	32.0	1.4	1,570
1954 : April	26.3	55.7	15.0	3.0	3,742	21.6	49.5	27.4	1.5	1,762
May	27.0	55.5	12.4	5.1	4,147	20.5	49.2	28.5	1.8	1,904
June	24.7	57.7	13.7	3.9	4,320	18.9	50.8	27.1	3.2	1,972
July	26.9	55.4	12.8	4.9	4,553	24.3	45.6	27.5	2.6	2,179
August	25.6	58.1	11.6	4.7	4,595	24.4	45.6	27.6	2.4	2,046

## 20. Coal Production in New South Wales

Period of Four Weeks *	Last Day of Period (1954 Dates)	1942	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
Thousand tons								
1st	Jan. 23	731	513	714	442	622	604	605
2nd	Feb. 20	933	954	952	876	1,134	1,135	1,151
3rd	Mar. 20	981	929	932	888	1,292	1,139	1,217
4th	Apr. 17	886	908	925	1,052	1,158	1,008	1,134
5th	May 15	1,003	970	1,013	980	1,171	931	1,119
6th	June 12	965	926	1,038	1,052	1,147	999	1,285
7th	July 10	918	225	923	1,168	1,236	1,052	1,155
8th	Aug. 7	953	109	961	1,158	1,177	1,309	1,203p
9th	Sept. 4	1,028	1,117	1,144	1,174	1,240	1,247	1,226p
10th	Oct. 2	984	1,100	1,051	1,205	1,287	1,242	1,245p
11th	Oct. 30	973	1,108	1,120	1,255	1,267	1,232	
12th	Nov. 27	965	1,182	1,093	1,222	1,272	1,284	
13th†	Dec. 25	886	695	932	1,041	1,019	992	
Year: Underground		12,150	9,388	11,197	11,224	12,492	12,452	
Open Cut ...		56	1,348	1,601	2,289	2,530	1,722	
Total ...		12,206	10,736	12,798	13,513	15,022	14,174	

Forty weeks ended—

	Oct. 3	Oct. 8	Oct. 7	Oct. 6	Oct. 4	Oct. 3	Oct. 2
Northern District ...	6,358	4,979	6,266	6,385	7,364	6,768	7,210p
Southern District ...	1,761*	1,357	1,794	1,890	2,080	2,249	2,476p
Western District ...	1,263	1,415	1,593	1,720	2,020	1,649	1,654p
Underground ...	n.a.	6,784	8,472	8,426	9,484	9,303	10,240p
Open Cut ...	n.a.	967	1,181	1,569	1,980	1,363	1,100p
Total ...	9,382	7,751	9,653	9,995	11,464	10,666	11,340p

\* Periods in Southern District ended a week later than in other districts in 1942.

† Miners' mid-summer holidays

	1942.	1949.	1950.	1951.	1952.	1953.	1954.
In 1st Period ...	Public holidays only.	2 weeks	{N-1 wk. {S & W-2 wks.}	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks	2 weeks
In 13th Period		{N-2 wks. {S & W-1 wk.}	1 week	1 week	1 week	1 week	

## 21. Consumption of Gas and Electricity, Sydney

(Index of Monthly Sales of Gas and Electricity)

Based on number of units each equal to 3,412 British Thermal Units. The base for each month is the average sales in the corresponding month of the three years, 1929 to 1931.

Month	Average 1929 to 1931	1939	1948	1949	1950	1951	1952	1953	1954
January	100	125	198	218	221	235	251	252	275
February	100	125	208	227	241	240	258	263	277
March	100	130	212	231	238	235	253	264	285
April	100	125	218	222	226	243	249	256	273
May	100	128	203	229	237	240	253	261	286
June	100	131	214	189	232	245	250	274	300
July	100	134	199	118	214	253	254	276	296
August	100	135	214	173	234	255	248	273	296
September	100	134	223	228	236	248	251	276	
October	100	135	216	224	238	255	254	279	
November	100	136	226	239	246	265	256	283	
December	100	131	222	231	236	246	265	282	
Year	100	131	213	209	233	247	253	270	



## MONTHLY PRODUCTION, NEW SOUTH WALES

Statistics for 1952-53 are final, but all figures from July, 1953, are subject to revision.

## 22. Production of Food and Drink

Period	Butter *	Cheese *	Processed Whole Milk Products	Bacon and Ham *	Jam	Preserved Fruit	Preserved Vegetables
Thousand lb.							
Year : 1938-39	113,841	7,193	14,357	25,987	20,635	28,387	4,902
1948-49	74,519	5,577	44,868	29,649	33,234	29,676	24,480
1949-50	82,469	6,333	51,215	28,879	36,246	31,748	32,265
1950-51	76,873	6,630	45,827	28,157	31,096	35,743	32,130
1951-52	52,501	4,469	38,577	27,911 <sup>‡</sup>	29,260	48,106	37,823
1952-53	83,076	7,084	54,451	29,509	20,095	37,118	35,880
1953-54p	66,557	7,191	45,746	25,759	23,496	52,225	19,570
1953 : April	6,518	399	2,400	2,332	1,985	1,811	1,911
May	4,867	259	1,813	2,281	1,864	443	1,059
June	3,765	253	1,493	2,054	1,376	304	687
July	3,177	253	2,227	3,033	1,830	324	748
August	3,598	382	3,435	1,938	1,598	270	911
1954 : April	5,254	446	3,029	2,129	1,675	6,499	1,170
May	3,569	243	1,600	1,982	1,949	1,436	1,216
June	2,488	145	1,294	1,992	1,674	583	1,164
July	2,414	149	1,497	2,039	1,607	346	1,255
August	3,467	253	1,958	1,992	1,770	319	1,240

Period	Flour (Wheaten)	Bran (Wheaten)	Pollard (Wheaten)	Prepared Breakfast Foods (Non Granular)	Cornflour (incl. Edible Starch)	Biscuits †
	Tons (2,000 lb.)			Cwt.		Thous. lb.
Year : 1938-39	547,162	107,779	121,154	n.a.	n.a.	43,611
1948-49	646,199	117,813	151,468	304,287	153,853	53,299
1949-50	577,482	98,478	133,294	300,075	154,645	60,789
1950-51	677,682	112,744	146,879	304,487	179,891	67,725
1951-52	563,325	97,733	131,498	313,270	203,440	76,732
1952-53	521,957	84,221	125,575 <sup>r</sup>	334,105	198,345	73,432
1953-54 <sup>p</sup>	590,801	87,678	125,561	360,491	192,885	73,742
1953 : April	49,315	7,757 <sup>r</sup>	12,072 <sup>r</sup>	24,924	16,629	6,768
May	58,025	9,345 <sup>r</sup>	14,292 <sup>r</sup>	28,566	18,403	5,546
June	60,993	9,589 <sup>r</sup>	14,483 <sup>r</sup>	21,707	17,799	5,926
July	65,356	9,789	14,540	21,499	20,074	7,023
August	51,060	7,547	11,146	24,985	16,815	6,036
1954 : April	40,163	5,821	7,915	27,045	12,845	6,521
May	59,311	8,766	12,267	33,462	13,734	6,005
June	53,438	7,633	10,988	21,125	15,818	5,646
July	47,847	6,856	10,052	21,921	21,329	7,396
August	44,754	6,420	9,131	27,550	18,397	6,105

Period	Margarine		Ice Cream	Confectionery		Beer
	Table	Other		Chocolate (excl.coverture)	Other	
	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.	Thousand lb.		Thous. gal.
Year : 1938-39	4,492	22,475	2,233	21,988‡	26,811	33,899
1948-49	13,559	33,598	6,954	27,253	34,094	54,104
1949-50	8,457	38,242	7,540	28,910	31,307	54,704
1950-51	5,619	36,328	7,711	25,766	34,900	61,966
1951-52	11,146	41,017	7,937	23,243	36,894	66,799
1952-53	9,219	34,989	5,322	20,829	35,673	72,672
1953-54p	13,897	36,524	5,736	21,631	33,385	80,968
1953: April	689	3,333	424	2,380	2,843	5,842
May	1,110	3,176	277	2,392	2,908	6,382
June	1,063	3,164	210	2,243	3,221	6,038
July	1,460	3,974	238	2,462	3,333	5,802
August	1,238	2,955	344	2,020	2,807	5,944
1954: April	n.a.	n.a.	441	2,049	2,505	6,952
May	1,474	3,025	267	2,343	2,831	6,837
June	n.a.	n.a.	259	2,275	3,021	5,921
July	1,892	6,962 }	268	1,833r	3,117	6,251
August	n.a.		412	1,477	3,073	6,333

\* Production in factories only.

† Excluding ice cream cones.

‡ Including coverture.

§ From July, 1951, the production of pressed ham and canned bacon and ham was changed from a "bone-out" to a "bone-in" weight basis.

## 23. Production of Metals, Coal and Energy

Period	Gold	Coal	Coke (Metallurg.)	Pig Iron	Ingot Steel	Gas	Electricity
	Fine oz	Thousand tons				Mill. cub. ft.	Mill. kWh
Year : 1938-39	88,488	9,987*	1,136†	1,105‡	1,168†	10,896	1,948
1948-49	57,981	11,736	1,130	857	1,129	18,151	3,717
1949-50	47,288	11,290	1,164	1,002	1,266	17,846	3,758
1950-51	52,714	12,683	1,488	1,158	1,405	19,444	4,241
1951-52	40,761	14,800	1,607	1,219	1,473	20,537	4,628
1952-53	32,040	14,289	1,866	1,541	1,846	20,216	4,868
1953-54p	31,787	15,013	1,998	1,618	2,086	21,003	5,320
1953: April	2,144	1,062	164	141	155	1,572	402
May	2,193	1,028	164	128	168	1,787	433
June	2,546	1,075	161	135	168	1,893	447
July	2,244	1,426	167	139	184	2,055	467
August	2,538	1,345	164	139	183	1,976	448
1954: April	2,851	1,166	165	128	173	1,608	436
May	3,091	1,313	172	133	183	1,902	490
June	2,990	1,313	168	126	172	2,020	502
July	2,946	1,335	171	139	198	2,135	534
August	3,195	1,308	172	135	189	2,056	515

\* Estimated.

† Year ended 31st May.

‡ Monthly totals are approximate.

## 24. Production of Miscellaneous Metal Products

Period	Engines (Internal Combustion)		Electric Motors		Motor Bodies (Excl. Cabins and Conversions)	Pedal Cycles
	Marine	Other	Under 1 h.p.	Over 1 h.p.		
			Number 26,671*			
Year : 1938-39	977	1,214			5,425	36,416
1948-49	2,343	16,642	182,290	31,338	4,341	27,605
1949-50	2,185	17,560	274,228	26,146	6,646	26,539
1950-51	2,160	21,586	369,684	34,166	8,866	29,156
1951-52	1,887	20,593	417,945	34,255	9,276	28,701
1952-53	1,140	10,986	353,820	21,251	9,431	21,766
1953-54p	1,298	15,519	547,216	22,398	21,519	23,232
1953: April	77	1,470	32,237	1,473	1,268	1,918
May	93	896	30,384	1,525	1,514	1,925
June	78	1,775	41,704	1,780	1,652	1,898
July	97	1,245	38,175	1,651	1,705	1,915
August	84	1,268	35,939	1,576	1,813	1,838
1954: April	83	1,034	42,442	2,296	1,863	1,535
May	95	1,274	39,495	2,498	1,943	1,790
June	93	1,493	58,212	2,219	2,061	1,621
July	89	1,384	63,610 <sup>r</sup>	2,264	2,145	2,038
August	120	1,086	70,909	2,591	2,200	1,914

\* Electric motors for sale as such; later totals include electric motors incorporated in finished products.

## 25. Production of Clothing

Period	Hosiery		Hats (Felt)	Brassieres	Gloves		Boots, Shoes, and Sandals*	Slippers
	Women's, Maids' and Girls'	Other			Dress	Work*		
	Dozen pairs				Dozen			
Year : 1938-39	520,127	535,092	135,262	35,424	1,265	38,553	4,767	3,107
1948-49	351,054	411,453	147,498	116,876	9,727	106,474	6,117	2,804
1949-50	383,837	374,572	118,724	148,312	11,041	106,610	6,024	2,822
1950-51	465,854	423,477	115,241	168,814	14,277	125,834	6,287	2,755
1951-52	463,596	376,536	86,586	163,163	15,362	151,555	6,155	2,465
1952-53	565,016	337,153	94,879	148,727	21,761	112,503	5,967	2,444
1953-54p	609,355	439,236	99,920	174,375	25,958	145,447	6,584	2,833
1953: April	52,067	31,987	9,603	14,807	2,331	9,997	501	244
May	51,678	28,596	9,253	13,963	1,711	8,870	550	277
June	55,322	33,282	7,313	14,296	2,255	8,371	528	219
July	59,411	39,254	7,750	15,880	2,174	11,537	585	233
August	50,145	37,601	6,584	11,634	2,595	11,356	575	243
1954: April	47,905	33,757	8,642	13,440	1,716	12,852	519	218
May	53,147	33,728	8,305	14,810	2,122	12,325	545	230
June	55,374	42,901	7,757	13,645	1,388	14,959	557	216
July	56,454	34,928	6,687	10,147	1,571	14,576	572 <sup>r</sup>	157 <sup>r</sup>
August	60,657	38,469	6,687	10,225	1,322	15,136	603	163

\* Excluding articles of rubber.

## 26. Production of Building Materials and Fittings

Period	Sawn Timber (Native) *	Bricks (Clay)	Tiles		Asbestos Cement Building Sheets	Fibrous Plaster Sheets	Cement
			Terra Cotta	Cement			
	Mill. sup. ft.		Thousands		Thousand sq. yd.		Tons
Year: 1938-39	179.4	379,236	20,129	n.a.	5,291	2,671	432,487
1948-49	353.7	314,323	22,783	5,652	8,695	4,415	465,354
1949-50	341.1	300,356	22,124	8,362	8,634	4,171	554,966
1950-51	338.3	341,994	22,590	11,213	9,777	4,963	613,425
1951-52	380.6	354,545	22,765	20,273	10,545	4,962	594,276
1952-53	347.3	300,328	28,034	5,692	9,384	4,616	670,644
1953-54p	374.2	362,228	30,608	8,356	9,870	5,265	724,070
1953: April	28.4	25,980	2,338	392	696	377	65,457
May	35.4	26,553	2,507	270	941	369	68,458
June	30.6	30,202	2,530	151	806	378	64,088
July	36.7	30,914	2,681	278	876	401	62,576
August	35.7	28,988	2,575	524	867	408	61,311
1954: April	33.7	29,777	2,602	611	734	465	61,562
May	31.5	32,666	2,689	721	930	492	79,635
June	31.7	34,859	2,638	789	982	499	69,000
July	33.2	33,038	2,570	808	983	529	77,432
August	29.4	35,196	2,681	858	892	535	83,206

Period	Paints		Stoves, Domestic Cooking			
	Ready-Mixed Paint	Lacquers and Enamels	Solid Fuel	Gas	Electric	
					Stoves	Stovettes Excl. Cookers
	Thousand gal.		Number			
Year : 1938-39	n.a.	863	17,154	17,736		4,930
1948-49	1,823	1,569	12,810	19,906	18,908	n.a.
1949-50	1,914	1,826	10,307	20,723	14,178	23,128
1950-51	2,577	1,575	14,183	26,933	16,623	38,074
1951-52	2,598	1,771	15,214	25,232	17,022	26,290
1952-53	2,078	1,725	11,316	17,556	8,137	1,522
1953-54p	2,418	2,290	13,422	22,841	12,726	20,340
1953:						
April	183	163	1,001	1,763	705	1,796
May	175	192	971	1,644	656	1,245
June	177	179	1,027	1,607	887	1,171
July	229	189	1,359	2,082	800	2,039
August	196	178	1,277	2,005	687	1,354
1954:						
April	213	191	896	n.a.	1,120	1,943
May	209	204	1,285	1,865	1,462	1,922
June	226	199	1,461	2,252	1,659	1,577
July	198	236	1,501	1,984	1,781	1,812
August	200	259	1,388	n.a.	1,629	1,585

Period	Sinks	Sink Heaters (Gas and Electric)	Bath Heaters (All Types)	Hot Water Systems (Storage— All Types)	Coppers (complete)	
	Stainless Steel				Gas	Electric
	Number					
Year: 1938-39	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
1948-49	12,867	11,978	63,916	18,885	24,256	14,121
1949-50	18,431	8,436	65,772	19,713	20,765	16,470
1950-51	22,759	10,333	68,273	29,775	24,847	24,081
1951-52	26,349	13,537	62,492	28,707	19,974	21,712
1952-53	24,517	6,800	47,523	18,170	12,396	10,979
1953-54p	28,660	7,459	49,442	24,942	n.a.	14,713
1953: April	1,723	632	4,036	1,698	835	1,248
May	2,009	568	4,673	1,641	1,045	1,111
June	2,269	651	3,365	2,158	1,302	1,212
July	2,880	711	3,612	1,939	995	1,646
August	2,118	624	4,580	1,881	n.a.	1,313
1954: April	7,327	538	4,439	1,858	n.a.	1,045
May		482	5,001	2,330	n.a.	1,408
June		512	5,579	2,286	n.a.	1,317
July		679	4,635	2,584		
August		1,267	5,172	2,674		
					2,296	
					3,017	

\*Including sawn sleepers.

## 27. Production of Miscellaneous Products

Period	Refrigerators (Household)	Electric Clothes Washing Machines (Domestic)	Electric Toasters	Mattresses		
				Wire	Inner Spring	Other
			Number			
Year: 1938-39	13,102	n.a.	n.a.	79,140	17,407	n.a.
1948-49	84,232	5,751	74,045	55,590	85,574	166,699
1949-50	90,653	9,965	86,613	69,650	107,057	190,543
1950-51	113,803	19,163	70,676	78,285	157,406	166,865
1951-52	101,195	23,097	107,448	67,264	128,104	118,942
1952-53	91,717	14,669	47,049	80,961	148,554	98,352
1953-54p	158,669	43,803	63,471	100,696	192,582	96,758
1953: April	6,903	2,155	3,927	7,575	14,914	7,816
May	6,201	1,912	3,424	6,610	13,484	8,107
June	6,192	2,352	4,517	7,140	13,322	8,559
July	8,581	3,419	5,028	7,327	14,155	8,495
August	9,886	2,650	5,795	8,705	13,975	8,608
1954: April	9,575	5,804	4,529	9,766	15,770	6,972
May	8,594	6,044	6,272	8,314	17,542	7,304
June	11,962	7,189	4,513	7,901	13,370	6,894
July	14,198	6,694	4,607	6,809	14,829	7,250
August	16,383	6,125	5,592	8,580	18,106	7,602

Period	Wireless Cabinets	Radios		Radiograms	Sulphate of Ammonia	Sulphuric Acid
		Portable	Consoles			
Number						
Year :					Tons	
1938-39	133,760	.....	124,689	.....	20,960	85,501
1948-49	180,023	.....	177,393	.....	28,780	94,542
1949-50	222,818	.....	157,190	34,989	32,353	93,763
1950-51	276,682	.....	197,028	60,616	37,222	112,151
1951-52	227,014	.....	165,511	45,655	43,549	117,035
1952-53	156,739	56,030	76,547	40,787	48,078	124,359
1953-54p	260,305	78,046	124,561	57,762	53,587	148,513
1953: April	14,168	5,373	7,059	4,311	4,708	11,277
May	11,862	5,223	7,987	4,629	4,210	11,166
June	18,731	5,321	7,043	4,661	4,113	11,104
July	15,529	4,771	10,049	5,419	4,763	11,208
August	12,040	5,982	8,960	4,775	4,764	9,872
1954: April	25,216	6,557	10,927	4,268	4,944	13,336
May	23,915	6,522	12,563	5,264	4,996	13,555
June	36,102	5,886	10,393	5,669	4,596	13,426
July	31,694	7,426	13,802	5,339	4,965	13,661
August	33,881	6,925	13,769	5,309	4,453	14,693

Period	Soap †				Cleansing and Scouring Powders (excl. Synthetic Detergents)
	Toilet (incl. Shampoos and Shaving Soap)	Household (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Industrial (incl. Flakes, Chips, Extracts, Powders)	Other (Liquid, Soft and Sand)	
Cwt.					
Year : 1938-39	107,390	.....384,103.....		56,301	28,502*
1948-49	219,348	.....619,492.....		106,813	58,348*
1949-50	227,888	620,561	42,302	102,380	47,468*
1950-51	241,185	666,063	62,289	99,160	53,696*
1951-52	265,115	710,139	56,189	106,550	55,246
1952-53	231,759	692,804	67,475	87,007	44,014
1953-54p	265,054	666,246	76,828	91,228	46,822
1953 : April	24,490	47,121	4,974	7,303	3,777
May	22,885	63,937	5,944	6,796	4,550
June	18,938	49,266	6,697	7,540	3,388
July	20,217	52,687	7,064	8,050	4,656
August	20,506	41,883	5,014	6,533	4,273
1954 : April	25,398	51,223	7,452	7,843	4,299
May	20,186	60,492	7,752	8,585	4,406
June	28,362	84,980	7,265	6,382	3,844
July	24,834†	67,103†	6,772†	7,357†	3,467
August	19,014	55,031	7,567	9,280	3,881

\*Includes synthetic detergents. † Figures to June, 1954, include synthetic detergents, but thereafter these are excluded.



## 28. Index of Rainfall in Rural Districts, New South Wales

(Normal rainfall for each month = 100)

Month	Sheep Districts					Wheat Districts				Coastal Dairying Districts			
	N.	C.	S.	W.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.	N.	C.	S.	T.
1953: April	53	49	92	146	75	46	52	100	81	26	49	32	32
May	185	163	39	107	155	222	190	103	140	52	209	344	129
June	3	22	64	14	29	4	21	65	46	3	15	10	7
July	37	14	54	25	35	49	16	50	41	34	47	27	37
August	184	131	131	152	148	197	124	136	141	94	104	107	98
September	36	65	129	94	81	44	62	137	106	34	30	55	35
October	96	128	167	193	139	105	113	187	157	89	78	119	90
November	81	121	138	58	111	80	107	143	126	40	47	66	45
December	10	40	36	21	28	7	40	26	27	36	27	50	35
1954: January	81	140	222	132	149	92	148	254	206	70	119	94	86
February	283	344	168	168	250	282	338	167	226	423	337	288	384
March	17	4	4	1	7	12	6	4	6	40	73	12	45
April	23	65	112	110	73	22	75	120	96	72	60	22	62
May	38	9	27	9	23	22	11	28	23	159	69	16	118
June	72	56	63	90	67	81	58	60	62	49	67	38	52
July	118	46	37	140	73	56	46	34	40	267	89	44	193
August	84	55	86	82	76	62	56	92	79	130	122	65	120
September	73	64	54	44	61	57	61	56	57	273	227	55	233

N.—Northern.

C.—Central.

S.—Southern.

W.—Western.

T.—Total, all Districts.

## WOOL

### 29. Number of Sheep, Sheep Shorn, and Production of Wool, New South Wales

Sheep as at 31st March. Sheep Shorn and Wool Production (as in grease) in season ended June

Particulars	1938-39	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54
Sheep ... .. mill.	48.9	50.4	53.3	54.1	53.7	57.5	59.6
Sheep shorn ... .. mill.	51.5	48.1	53.6	52.9	52.7	56.7	59.2
Wool produced* .. mill. lb.	437.1	463.2	515.0	492.1	437.8	556.6	544.9

\* Includes crutchings and wool from skins.

### 30. Wool Received into Store and Unsold in Store, New South Wales

(Excluding Albury Centre and Joint Organisation Stocks)

Period	Received into Store during period				Unsold in Store at end of period			
	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total	Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
Thousand bales								
Season: 1947-48	869.2	152.1	46.9	1,068.2	13.7	1.2	0.2	15.1
1948-49	998.9	181.1	54.4	1,234.4	75.7	2.8	0.5	79.0
1949-50	1,066.6	218.9	57.0	1,342.5	11.6	1.3	0.1	13.0
1950-51	1,052.4	176.0	51.2	1,279.6	24.6	1.8	0.4	26.8
1951-52	903.6	164.4	42.7	1,110.7	14.9	0.7	0.2	15.8
1952-53	1,136.2	207.2	53.2	1,396.6	17.5	0.8	...	18.3
1953-54	1,108.7	262.2	57.6	1,428.5	19.1	1.9	0.1	21.1
1953: July-Sept.	436.2	96.4	11.4	544.0	265.4	71.4	11.4	348.2
1954: July-Sept.	449.6	96.9	14.8	561.3	266.2	69.7	14.9	350.8
1953: June	52.9	7.9	(—) 0.1	60.7	17.5	0.8	...	18.3
July	85.5	10.9	0.3	96.7	99.1	11.6	0.3	111.0
August	132.9	31.2	1.8	165.9	211.8	42.7	2.1	256.6
September	217.8	54.2	9.3	281.3	265.4	71.4	11.4	348.2
1954: June	43.6	5.7	(—) 0.1	49.2	19.1	1.9	0.1	21.1
July	81.5	8.2	0.4	90.1	97.5	10.1	0.5	108.1
August	163.8	35.7	3.1	202.6	224.3	45.8	3.5	273.6
September	204.2	53.0	11.4	268.6	266.2	69.7	14.9	350.8

(—) Denotes the difference between wool received and wool transferred for sale in other centres.

### 31. Wool : Sales at Auction, New South Wales

Excluding Albury Centre. Includes small quantities bought-in by Joint Organisation, but excludes sales from stocks held by Joint Organisation.

Period		Wool Sold				Amount Realised				
		Greasy and Scoured			Total		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Total
		Sydney	New-castle	Goul-burn	Greasy	Scoured				
		Thousand bales *					£ thousand			
Season : 1938-39		1,144.6	32.1	...	1,118.9	57.8	n.a.	n.a.	...	15,521
1948-49		925.4	170.2	54.0	1,079.0	70.6	53,699	10,193	3,439	67,331
1949-50		1,118.4	202.7	57.1	1,293.8	84.4	86,510	16,217	4,987	107,714
1950-51		1,038.6	175.5	50.9	1,194.8	70.2	185,502	32,589	10,113	228,204
1951-52		912.2	165.4	43.3	1,071.9	49.0	85,188	15,943	4,130	105,261
1952-53		1,132.8	207.1	53.3	1,340.8	52.4	122,090	23,153	6,105	151,348
1953-54		1,106.5	260.8	57.6	1,380.0	44.9	112,084	26,580	6,131	144,795
1953 :	July-Sept.	188.1	25.8	...	201.7	12.2	19,647	2,607	...	22,254
1954 :	July-Sept.	202.3	29.1	...	220.8	10.6	18,728	2,638	...	21,366
1953 :	June	115.0	15.3	...	125.9	4.4	11,269	1,279	...	12,548
	July	3.9	...	...	0.3	3.6	453	...	...	453
	August	20.0	...	...	16.2	3.8	2,208	...	...	2,208
	September	164.2	25.8	...	185.2	4.8	16,987	2,607	...	19,594
1954 :	June	81.8	13.7	...	90.7	4.8	7,795	1,210	...	9,005
	July	3.1	...	...	0.1	3.0	368	...	...	368
	August	36.9	...	...	33.7	3.2	3,631	...	...	3,631
	September	162.3	29.1	...	187.1	4.3	14,728	2,638	...	17,366

\* Scoured bales are not converted to greasy basis.

### 32. Prices of Greasy Wool, New South Wales

Season	Average Price at Auction, New South Wales*	Month	Average Price that would be realised if whole N.S.W. clip was sold at price level of current month			
			1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
	Pence per lb.		Pence per lb.			
1938-39	10.3	July	95.0†	75.0†	85.0†	82.5†
1945-46	15.3†	August	73.0	75.0†	84.0†	75.0p
1946-47	23.6	September	66.0	73.0	83.0	75.0p
1947-48	37.9	October	91.0	78.0	84.0	...
1948-49	46.8	November	80.0	78.0	84.0	...
1949-50	61.8	December	77.0	82.0	81.0	...
1950-51	145.3	January	75.0	82.0	80.0	...
1951-52	76.5	February	69.0	83.0	77.0	...
1952-53	85.1	March	61.0	87.0	77.0	...
1953-54	81.8	April	63.0	89.0	79.0†	...
		May	72.0	93.0	82.0	...
		June	75.0	85.0	82.5	...

\* Excluding Albury (regarded as a Victorian selling centre). † Based on United Kingdom purchase prices; does not allow for payments accruing for profits on re-sale of contract wool. ‡ Nominal.

### 33. Wheat Growing in New South Wales

Season	Holdings with 20 acres or more Wheat for Grain	Area under Wheat		Yield of Grain	
		Total	For Grain	Total	Average per acre
	Number	Acres		Bushels	
1936-37 to 1945-46*	15,875†	4,203,047	3,824,667	49,850,000	13.0
1946-47	15,971	4,772,978	4,474,894	15,682,000	3.5
1947-48	16,803	5,355,169	5,043,017	95,227,000	18.9
1948-49	15,674	4,242,969	4,038,447	64,704,000	16.0
1949-50	15,594	4,173,857	4,011,744	81,939,000	20.4
1950-51	14,279	3,441,958	3,328,490	43,273,000	13.0
1951-52	13,147	2,930,170	2,753,317	39,689,000	14.4
1952-53	13,167	2,836,206	2,702,359	56,670,000	21.0
1953-54	14,865	3,547,624	3,356,888	63,681,000	19.9

\* Annual average.

† Average of six seasons 1935-36 to 1940-41.

## 34. Wheat : Prices and Return to Growers, New South Wales, and Prices in Canada

Period	Export Price*		Home Price for Human Consumption§	Net Return, f.o.r. country siding, to N.S.W. Growers¶	Canadian No. 1 Northern Wheat; in store, Fort William-Port Arthur and Vancouver
					For Commercial Export
			s. d. per bushel		Cents (Can.) per bushel
Year: 1938-39	2	5.1	2	5.9	62.0
1946-47	14	1	3	11.3	244.0
1947-48	19	4.7	6	0.2	287.9
1948-49	15	8.2	6	8	226.3
1949-50	15	5.2	18	5.8	218.6
1950-51	16	1	18	8.8	212.3
1951-52	16	4.3	20	9	235.0
1952-53	16	6	21	2	216.5
1953-54	16	7**	16	7**	186.5
1953: October	17	8**	17	8**	195.3
November	17	0**	17	0**	190.0
December	16	10.5**	16	10.5**	188.5
1954: January	16	9**	16	9**	188.4
February	16	6**	16	6**	183.6
March	16	1**	16	1**	180.0
April	15	9**	15	9**	182.3
May	15	9**	15	9**	182.8
June	15	2**	15	2**	174.0
July	15	0**	15	0**	170.7
August	14	7**	14	7**	169.8
September	14	6**	14	6**	169.7

\* Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July. Bases are as follows :—

1938-39—Average of shippers' limits for bulk and bagged lots, f.o.r. Sydney.

1946-47 to 1948-49—Basic export selling price of Australian Wheat Board. Average for bulk and bagged wheat, f.o.r., Sydney.

1949-50 to date—Basic selling prices of Australian Wheat Board for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.b., Sydney (see † and ‡ below).

† Wheat sold under International Wheat Agreement. ‡ Wheat sold in excess of I.W.A. quota.

§ Wholesale price for f.a.q. bulk wheat, f.o.r. Sydney. Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended November.

¶ Allowing for cost of bags and including governmental assistance to wheat growers. Pool season, generally year ended October.

|| Annual quotations are the average of the twelve monthly prices, year ended July.

\*\* For some destinations, where other exporting countries have a geographical freight advantage, the selling price is below this basic price.

## 35. Whole Milk Production, New South Wales

Period	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54p	1954-55p
	Thousand gallons					
July	15,635	14,678	13,568	17,593	16,923	15,228
August	17,693	16,964	15,106	19,236	18,492	17,871
September	22,507	22,091	17,600	25,953	22,063	
December Qr.	101,154	99,766	68,933	98,514	79,415	
March Qr.	93,750	93,790	62,177	93,126	85,272	
April	24,065	21,512	23,576	24,528	22,362	
May	20,630	16,199	21,411	20,545	17,991	
June	16,146	13,159	18,838	17,890	15,229	
Year ended June	311,580	298,159	241,209	317,385	277,747	

NOTE.—The annual average production for the five seasons ended 1939 was 331,963,000 gallons.

## 36. Butter : Prices, Export and Local, and Return to Farmer

Season	Export*	Sydney Wholesale	Net Return to farmer †	Month	Export*	Sydney Wholesale
	s. d. per lb.				s. d. per lb.	
1938-39	1	5	1	1953: October	3	8.8
1945-46	1	5.9	1	December	3	8.8
1946-47	1	5.9	1	January	3	8.8
1947-48	2	7.5	1	February	3	8.8
1948-49	2	7.3	1	March	3	8.8
1949-50	2	9.6	2	April	3	8.8
1950-51	3	0.4	2	May	3	8.8
1951-52	3	3.1	3	June	3	8.8
1952-53	3	6.0	3	July	3	8.8
1953-54	3	7.7	3	August	3	8.8
				September	3	8.8
				October	3	8.8

\* United Kingdom contract price f.o.b. Australia (1938-39 excepted). † Average price paid for cream supplied to New South Wales factories, inclusive of government subsidy in 1945-46 and later years.

## 37. Oversea Trade, New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales			Australia		
	Merchandise					
	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports	Imports	Exports	Excess of Exports
	£A million f.o.b.					
Year: 1938-39	49.9	37.7	(—) 12.2	113.2	121.5	8.3
1947-48	150.4	134.7	(—) 15.7	338.1	405.0	66.9
1948-49	177.2	176.6	(—) 0.6	414.1	541.1	127.0
1949-50	214.0	216.6	2.6	536.1	611.6	75.5
1950-51	301.7	325.6	23.9	741.3	979.1	237.8
1951-52	426.8	193.9	(—) 232.9	1,049.7	665.2	(—) 384.5
1952-53	206.9	249.6	42.7	510.4	849.3	338.9
1953-54	277.6	251.7	(—) 25.9	678.4	814.1	135.7
1953: April	19.3	22.2	2.9	43.3	79.1	35.8
May	16.5	20.4	3.9	44.2	72.7	28.5
June	15.4	21.9	6.5	41.9	74.0	32.1
July	21.7	21.5	(—) 0.2	52.1	76.5	24.4
August	19.4	12.3	(—) 7.1	52.2	48.4	(—) 3.8
1954: April	21.4	22.7	1.3	52.1	65.6	13.5
May	22.0	15.6	(—) 6.4	60.2	58.1	(—) 2.1
June	35.6	18.7	(—) 16.9	76.0	55.1	(—) 20.9
July	28.7	15.0	(—) 13.7	70.3	52.1	(—) 18.2
August	24.0	10.9	(—) 13.1	66.7	44.1	(—) 22.6

(—) Denotes excess of imports.

## 38. Wholesale Trade, New South Wales

\* Net sales of taxable and exempt goods by traders registered under Sales Tax Acts

Period	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
	£ million							
July	27.1	34.5	35.3	49.1	67.5	56.9	62.5	80.3
August	31.5	38.6	34.7	52.1	68.2	59.6	64.0	78.0
September	31.3	38.2	39.9	56.2	74.0	60.2	76.8	
December Qr.	96.0	109.3	133.1	163.9	206.6	184.2	215.3	
March Qr.	86.5	104.7	127.2	164.5	186.1	179.7	207.0	
April	33.0	39.0	54.4	68.8	72.2	62.1	74.8	
May	34.8	41.3	53.0	65.8	64.1	61.4	74.5	
June	33.7	36.0	46.1	66.4	60.1	65.1	76.7	
Year ended June	373.9	441.6	523.7	686.8	798.8	729.2	851.6	

\* Exclusive of discounts, returns, etc.

## 39. Retail Trade: Principal City Stores, Sydney

Compiled by Retail Traders' Association Research Bureau in conjunction with Commonwealth Bank

Period	Business Days in Period		Value of Net Sales	Value of Stock	Wages and Salaries Paid	Number of Employees*	Three months ended in month shown	
	Previous Year	Current Year					Value of Net Sales	Wages and Salaries Paid
Number		Percentage increase (+) or decrease (—) compared with corresponding period of preceding year.						
Year : 1947	302	302	+ 18.7	+ 32.5	+ 21.5	+ 8.6		
1948	302	303	+ 16.3	+ 20.6	+ 20.6	+ 6.0		
1949	303	302	+ 6.8	+ 6.7	+ 13.8	+ 0.4		
1950	302	303	+ 16.8	+ 5.6	+ 11.7	+ 0.7		
1951	303	301	+ 22.7	+ 26.9	+ 32.8	+ 2.7		
1952	301	303	— 8.6	+ 9.0	+ 4.0	+ 10.0		
1953	303	302	+ 4.8	— 20.1	— 0.3	— 3.9		
1953: Mar.	26	26	+ 0.6	— 26.1	— 2.3	— 10.0	— 3.8	— 6.3
Apr.	22	22	— 3.1	— 25.2	— 0.4	— 7.7	— 3.0	— 4.1
May	27	26	— 0.4	— 26.2	— 8.5	— 6.6	— 0.9	— 3.9
June	24	25	+ 9.3	— 24.4	+ 1.9	— 5.6	+ 1.5	— 2.6
July	27	27	+ 5.9	— 20.1	+ 2.2	— 3.0	+ 4.4	+ 1.7
Aug.	26	26	+ 9.1	— 17.7	+ 0.9	— 0.1	+ 8.2	+ 1.7
1954: Mar.	26	27	+ 8.7	+ 4.4	+ 8.2	+ 2.8	+ 7.2	+ 6.5
Apr.	22	22	+ 10.0	+ 6.3	+ 4.8	+ 2.2	+ 6.5	+ 6.6
May	26	26	+ 10.7	+ 10.6	+ 7.8	+ 3.9	+ 9.8	+ 6.9
June	25	25	+ 7.6	+ 11.5	+ 5.0	+ 3.3	+ 9.5	+ 5.9
July	27	27	+ 4.6	+ 12.9	+ 3.6	+ 2.9	+ 7.9	+ 5.5
Aug.	26	26	+ 13.3	+ 11.6	+ 9.2	+ 3.1	+ 8.8	+ 5.9

\* Further particulars of monthly employment in retail trade are shown in Table 2.

## BANKING

Since 1st October, 1951, 16 trading banks have conducted business in Australia. Of these, 12 operate in New South Wales, comprising the 7 major private trading banks, the Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia, the Rural Bank of N.S.W., and 3 overseas banks.

#### 40. Trading Banks : Deposits and Assets in Australia

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Deposits	Balances due to other Banks	Cash Items	Treasury Bills	Government and Municipal Securities	Special Deposits with Commonwealth Bank	Loans, Advances and Bills Discounted
£ million							
MAJOR PRIVATE TRADING BANKS							
1939 : June	318.0	n.a.	28.6	23.9	22.1	...	291.7
1945 : June	582.5	n.a.	36.5	46.5	104.3	241.8	207.9
1947 : June	648.3	2.5	34.4	13.8	80.6	275.4	289.7
1949 : June	817.4	49.8	40.0	11.1	62.5	381.2	383.3
1951 : June	1,237.7	63.2	50.5	32.8	93.0	569.6	509.5
1952 : June	1,122.9	48.0	61.2	35.8	62.6	303.3	691.2
1953 : May	1,252.2	3.1	65.5	129.0	115.5	300.8	597.6
June	1,239.0	3.5	76.6	100.5	115.7	300.8	601.8
July	1,204.0	3.5	66.1	85.8	115.6	296.5	616.8
August	1,181.3	2.8	67.1	85.9	119.5	282.0	619.9
1954 : May	1,323.3	3.3	75.4	67.1	136.0	318.7	695.5
June	1,305.0	3.3	67.7	58.0	133.4	313.7	701.7
July	1,271.7	2.4	65.7	33.7	123.6	308.4	724.9
August	1,256.7	2.5	65.4	32.4	120.3	291.9	738.8

## COMMONWEALTH TRADING BANK\*

1947 : June	58.6	0.3	5.7	1.1	33.9	...	21.6
1949 : June	68.2	2.5	4.7	...	34.4	...	35.6
1951 : June	119.7	2.3	6.9	36.5	15.1	...	68.5
1952 : June	109.1	3.4	7.1	23.0	22.1	...	71.2
1953 : May	132.6	3.8	10.3	32.0	15.2	32.3	57.3
June	135.7	4.1	11.9	31.3	15.2	32.3	59.7
July	137.8	4.0	9.7	31.7	15.2	32.3	62.4
August	140.3	4.2	11.5	31.6	15.5	32.3	63.4
1954 : May	164.4	0.3	10.7	15.5	35.1	39.1	73.3
June	165.7	0.3	14.1	12.6	35.1	38.7	76.0
July	164.9	0.3	9.3	13.3	35.1	38.6	80.9
August	164.7	0.3	9.8	8.3	35.1	38.4	84.0

## ALL TRADING BANKS

1947 : June	722.7	3.0	42.4	16.2	126.2	277.2	344.8
1949 : June	913.1	52.5	48.0	12.2	111.5	382.8	461.9
1951 : June	1,407.4	65.9	62.4	73.8	123.1	572.6	635.5
1952 : June	1,282.2	52.2	72.0	59.3	99.4	305.0	827.9
1953 : May	1,439.5	7.1	82.0	169.7	144.2	334.1	718.0
June	1,428.0	7.9	94.4	138.7	144.6	334.1	724.8
July	1,393.4	7.7	81.6	122.0	144.4	329.8	743.2
August	1,371.7	7.2	83.8	121.7	148.6	315.3	747.1
1954 : May	1,547.1	4.0	90.7	93.7	186.0	358.9	835.4
June	1,530.5	4.0	87.1	80.1	182.6	353.5	845.2
July	1,494.7	3.1	79.6	54.9	172.8	348.1	874.8
August	1,479.0	3.2	79.7	47.5	169.8	331.4	891.9

\*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

#### 41. Trading Banks : Deposits and Advances in New South Wales

Average of Weekly Figures

Month	Major Private Trading Banks				C'wealth Trading Bank*		All Trading Banks	
	Deposits			Advances	Deposits	Advances	Deposits	Advances
	Not Bearing Interest	Bearing Interest	Total					
£ million								
1947 : June	174.6	69.7	244.3	116.5	33.3	12.6	286.8	153.6
1949 : June	228.1	73.2	301.3	150.4	40.1	18.0	358.0	199.7
1951 : June	386.0	81.9	467.9	197.9	60.0	36.1	560.8	276.6
1952 : June	345.7	67.9	413.6	276.0	61.8	38.6	507.3	361.1
1953 : May	388.6	69.1	457.7	237.6	72.7	26.0	565.8	308.1
June	379.7	68.9	448.6	243.7	74.0	26.5	557.5	314.7
July	368.2	68.8	437.0	252.2	73.6	27.4	544.4	324.5
Aug.	362.1	70.0	432.1	250.0	76.0	28.0	541.3	322.9
1954 : May	411.9	79.9	491.8	274.5	86.8	32.0	617.2	352.1
June	400.2	82.9	483.1	281.6	87.3	32.7	608.6	360.7
July	384.6	83.8	468.4	291.0	86.4	35.3	592.4	373.4
Aug.	379.9	83.7	463.6	297.5	86.4	36.6	587.3	381.4

\*General Banking Division of the Commonwealth Bank prior to 9th December, 1953.

#### 42. Trading Banks: Debits to Customers' Accounts, New South Wales

"Debits" refer to all trading banks operating in N.S.W., excluding accounts of Australian Governments at city banks and central banking business of the Commonwealth Bank.

Period	1947-48	1948-49	1949-50	1950-51	1951-52	1952-53	1953-54	1954-55
Weekly Average—£ million.								
July	66.6	79.2	91.2	121.3	159.3	149.0	163.7	181.8
August	60.6	71.0	80.9	109.2	141.9	130.1	145.6	170.6
September	64.4	77.4	88.0	126.3	153.0	143.0	167.7	179.7
October	67.8	81.5	99.0	135.5	163.0	152.7	168.3	
November	72.5	82.0	107.9	147.9	170.5	159.8	173.0	
December	71.0	87.7	112.2	158.0	175.9	173.8	187.1	
January	59.6	74.8	96.8	131.6	146.2	124.6	151.9	
February	72.1	83.5	108.7	161.1	155.3	156.2	164.8	
March	68.6	83.9	118.6	160.0	152.1	162.4	184.7	
April	69.7	82.5	108.8	161.1	153.3	149.7	166.2	
May	75.0	92.8	122.6	167.3	155.9	157.4	183.0	
June	82.0	97.3	121.2	168.2	158.4	160.3	194.9	
Year	69.4	83.1	104.9	145.1	156.6	151.9	171.7	

#### 43. Savings Banks in New South Wales and Australia

Period	New South Wales					Australia	
	Active Accounts*	Deposits	Interest Credited	Withdrawals	Depositors' Balances*	Active Accounts*	Depositors' Balances*
	Thousand	£ thousand				Thousand	£ thousand
Year: 1938-39	1,330	66,577	1,610	67,155	87,474	3,858	245,587
1946-47	1,967	158,994	4,054	167,922	231,368	5,593	660,015
1947-48	2,013	160,875	3,991	159,270	236,964	5,728	681,318
1948-49	2,072	171,622	4,062	168,165	244,483	5,890	714,232
1949-50	2,138	201,479	4,208	191,296	258,874	6,105	762,085
1950-51	2,194	253,472	4,405	232,285	284,466	6,307	837,444
1951-52	2,247	261,966	4,829	246,729	304,532	6,494	891,898
1952-53	2,279	266,006	5,703	257,092	319,149	6,633	947,497
1953-54	2,308	291,475	6,087	276,914	339,797	6,756	1,010,129
1953: July	2,287	24,391		23,162	320,378	6,656	952,878
August	2,239	22,749		20,521	322,606	6,570	959,468
September	2,247	25,264		22,670	325,200	6,578	966,805
1954: July	2,317	27,842		25,693	341,946	6,782	1,017,674
August	2,264	27,287		26,099	343,134	6,683	1,024,761
September	2,270	25,925		24,748	344,311	6,680	1,029,552

\* At end of period.

#### 44. Oversea Exchange Rates

Mean of Buying and Selling rates for telegraphic transfers quoted by Commonwealth Bank, average of daily rates.

Period	Australia on—							
	London	New Zealand	South Africa	Montreal	New York	France	Belgium	India
	£A. to £stg.100	£A. to £N.Z.100	£A. to £S.A.100	Canadian \$ to £A.1	U.S. \$ to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Francs to £A.1	Rupees to £A.1
1938-39	125.25	100.33	124.70	3.79	3.78	141.75	111.58	10.69
1946—June	125.25	100.25	124.88	3.54	3.22	383.24	141.02	10.64
1949—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	3.22	3.22	875.85	141.02	10.64
1950—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.46	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1951—"	125.25	124.27	124.88	2.39	2.24	782.44	111.78	10.64
1952—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.22	776.35	111.66	10.64
1953—"	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.25	784.71	111.76	10.64
1954—May	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.22	2.25	787.16	112.29	10.64
June	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.21	2.25	784.84	112.15	10.64
July	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.19	2.25	784.30	111.97	10.64
August	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.18	2.25	783.93	111.72	10.64
September	125.25	124.27	125.04	2.17	2.24	780.68	111.70	10.64



## 45. Interest Rates, New South Wales

Period	Private First Mortgages Registered*		Yield on Commonwealth Government Securities†		Trading Banks‡			Savings Bank Deposits‡		Treasury Bills‡ (Dis-count)	
					Fixed Deposits		Over-draft (Max.)	To £500	£500 to £1,000 §		
	Urban	Rural	Short-dated : 2 years	Long-dated : 12 years	3 months	24 months					
						To £10,000					Over £10,000
Per cent. per annum											
Year : 1938-39	5.5	5.1	3.67	3.85	2.00	3.00	3.00	5.75	2.00	1.75¶	1.75
1945-46	4.7	4.4	2.18	3.24	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.75	2.00	1.00	1.00
1948-49	4.4	4.3	2.07	3.15	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1949-50	4.4	4.3	1.95	3.13	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1950-51	4.4	4.3	1.99	3.21	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1951-52	4.4	4.3	2.05	3.95	0.50	1.50	1.00	4.50	2.00	1.00	0.75
1952-53	4.7	4.6	3.03	4.54	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1953-54	4.9	4.7	3.10	4.44	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1953 : August	4.9	4.8	2.95	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
September	4.9	4.7	2.96	4.42	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
October	4.9	4.8	2.99	4.43	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
November	4.9	4.7	2.97	4.42	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
December	4.9	4.7	2.99	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
1954 : January	4.9	4.7	3.03	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
February	4.9	4.7	3.08	4.40	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
March	4.9	4.7	3.17	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
April	5.0	4.8	3.24	4.46	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
May	5.0	4.8	3.34	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
June	5.0	4.8	3.42	4.44	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
July	5.1	4.8	3.54	4.47	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
August	5.1	4.7	3.47	4.49	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00
September	5.1	4.7	3.56	4.48	1.00	1.75	1.50	5.00	2.25	1.25	1.00

\* Average for year or for 3 months ended month shown. † Compiled by Commonwealth Bank; average for year or as at last Wednesday in month. ‡ Rate current at end of period. ¶ 1½ per cent. to limit of £1,300 until March, 1942. § Upper limit raised from £1,000 to £1,500 in June, 1954.

## 46. Index of Value of Shares on Sydney Stock Exchange

The index relates to the value of ordinary shares on the Sydney Stock Exchange of principal companies (excluding banks), whose business is conducted wholly or largely in New South Wales. The prices of individual shares are unweighted, and each group average is the mean of the average monthly prices per £1 of paid-up capital. The aggregate index is the average of all the shares included in the groups with the addition of 24 miscellaneous shares. There is no base period as the index represents the ratio per cent. of the average prices of ordinary shares to their par values, adjustment being made for changes in capital structure.

Month	23 Manufacturing and Dis- tributing Companies	10 Retail Companies	8 Public Utility Companies	5 Pastoral and Finance Companies	5 Insurance Companies	Total, 75* Companies	34 Active Shares included in foregoing
1939 : Aug.	212.6	168.2	156.0	118.2	263.9	174.4	181.9
1945 : Sept.	242.7	207.8	170.8	146.7	264.6	195.8	210.3
1949 : June	326.9	274.4	153.1	171.7	462.3	242.4	246.4
1950 : June	399.3	318.7	155.3	227.4	576.7	293.6	297.5
1951 : June	529.8	397.6	167.3	301.6	757.1	366.6	357.0
1952 : June	358.2	257.1	154.4	189.0	580.5	256.7	250.7
1953 : May	361.4	262.4	150.7	190.5	529.7	251.9	249.9
June	363.6	265.2	153.5	192.8	544.4	254.4	253.7
July	369.5	265.6	154.4	197.7	559.4	258.0	260.3
Aug.	371.8	273.6	154.4	201.6	582.0	262.7	266.7
Sept.	370.8	278.6	155.3	200.8	585.8	264.4	270.1
Oct.	363.5	283.4	152.2	195.5	590.7	261.7	266.3
Nov.	361.2	283.6	151.8	195.5	588.0	261.0	265.1
Dec.	366.6	286.1	149.2	197.8	597.1	264.1	269.2
1954 : Jan.	377.2	294.3	153.6	197.3	620.5	271.6	279.7
Feb.	377.5	295.8	157.3	197.4	636.7	273.3	279.8
Mar.	376.0	292.0	164.3	201.4	636.0	273.0	278.7
Apr.	370.4	294.3	163.4	202.4	574.7	268.6	275.4
May	373.7	302.7	158.7	210.0	586.5	271.4	279.5
June	381.3	310.1	159.0	217.7	574.7	274.5	282.2
July	394.4	322.4	160.7	224.5	593.1	282.2	292.0
Aug.	405.5	336.5	165.1	239.4	606.1	292.4	301.0
Sept.	402.9	343.5	163.9	231.8	587.1	291.5	297.9

\* Including 24 miscellaneous companies.

### 47. Real Estate Transactions and Crop, Wool, and Stock Mortgages Registered in New South Wales

Period	Real Estate Conveyances and Transfers		Mortgages*	Crop Liens	Wool Lien†	Livestock Mortgages †
	Number	£ thousand				
Year :						
1938-39	50,295	35,272	25,068	1,908	3,064	1,736
1948-49	86,201	62,229	32,518	333	2,391	2,768
1949-50	105,589	125,952	57,382	460	3,115	2,845
1950-51	108,732	192,311	70,600	309	4,828	3,482
1951-52	95,857	179,581	77,211	514	4,371	3,578
1952-53	82,905	143,909	68,590	462	3,428	2,513
1953-54	92,380	188,032	76,024	476	3,460	2,698
1953: July-Sept.	24,927	45,640	21,999	102	800	793
1954: July-Sept.	27,535	58,824	20,921	338	889	656
1953: May	7,723	14,189	6,190	24	398	215
June	7,565	13,418	5,478	23	376	307
July	8,351	15,631	7,389	33	379	310
August	7,871	14,395	7,199	22	229	273
September	8,705	15,614	7,412	48	193	210
1954: May	8,529	18,840	6,403	15	410	287
June	8,092	17,607	6,399	24	530	324
July	8,742	17,933	6,523	22	356	304
August	9,286	20,148	6,578	284	325	196
September	9,507	20,743	7,820	32	208	156

\* As consideration is not recorded in many mortgages, the amount is understated; it relates to mortgages in fixed amounts for fixed periods and excludes fluctuating advances secured by mortgage. † Loans secured by both lien on wool and mortgage on sheep are included under both headings.

### 48. Life Assurance, New South Wales

#### (a) New Policies issued (exclusive of annuities)\*.

Period	Ordinary Department		Industrial Department		Total Sum Assured
	Policies	Sum Assured	Policies	Sum Assured	
	Number	£ thousand	Number	£ thousand	£ thousand
Year†:					
1939	50,520	18,179	156,787	7,540	25,719
1948	99,282	47,956	115,336	11,076	59,032
1949	94,665	49,357	113,568	11,332	60,689
1950	98,015	58,666	106,754	11,136	69,802
1951	101,683	78,187	97,361	11,526	89,713
1952	110,992	81,270	99,573	13,342	94,612
1953	111,437	86,501	98,547	13,590	100,091
1953: Jan.-July	59,991	47,308	57,481	7,800	55,108
1954: Jan.-July	59,269	50,289	49,925	6,975	57,264
1953: May	9,281	7,103	8,782	1,191	8,294
June	10,230	8,148	10,617	1,444	9,592
July	10,793	9,062	7,601	1,051	10,113
1954: May	10,204	8,214	7,842	1,110	9,324
June	9,887	9,044	8,459	1,093	10,137
July	10,737	9,960	7,425	1,062	11,022

\* Includes operations of Government Insurance Office of New South Wales. † Annual figures are aggregates of yearly returns for "various balance" dates (mainly in September or December of year specified).

#### (b) New Loans Granted by Life Assurance Companies in New South Wales\* (exclusive of advances of premiums).

Period	On Mortgage of Real Estate	On Companies' Policies	On Other Securities	Total Loans Granted
	£ thousand			
Year :				
1948	5,828	861	2,540	9,229
1949	9,264	931	2,913	13,108
1950	16,184	1,117	3,873	21,174
1951	20,433	1,228	4,935	26,596
1952	16,506	1,771	3,470	21,747
1953	14,775	1,436	2,426	18,637
1953: Jan.-July	9,286	873	1,319	11,478
1954: Jan.-July	6,791	832	970	8,593
1953: May	1,330	138	194	1,662
June	1,495	126	220	1,841
July	1,325	127	176	1,628
1954: May	907	133	203	1,243
June	1,329	123	138	1,590
July	1,063	131	123	1,317

\* The Government Insurance Office of New South Wales is not included.

## 49. Commonwealth Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July–September		Item	July–September	
	1953	1954		1953	1954
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Taxes—			Social Services*—		
Customs ... ..	21,979	25,447	Invalid, Age Pensions ... ..	18,864	22,565
Excise ... ..	28,587	32,597	Child Endowment ... ..	11,951	13,637
Sales ... ..	22,183	24,796	Hospital Benefits ... ..	1,711	2,582
Income Tax and Social Services Contribution ‡	92,423	83,899	Pharmaceutical Benefits ... ..	1,710	2,037
			Other ... ..	5,713	6,206
Payroll ... ..	10,515	10,667	Total, Social Services* ... ..	39,949	47,027
Estate ... ..	2,676	2,818	To States—		
Entertainments ... ..	1,709	...	Tax Reimbursements ... ..	27,165	29,984
Other ... ..	398	416	Other ... ..	11,811	10,557
Total Taxes ... ..	180,470	180,640	Capital Works ... ..	20,372	17,973
Post Office ... ..	16,168	17,118	Post Office† ... ..	15,487	15,360
Broadcasting ... ..	1,188	1,164	Broadcasting† ... ..	1,038	1,068
Railways ... ..	799	629	Railways† ... ..	712	706
Territories ... ..	501	533	Territories† ... ..	2,251	2,729
Other ... ..	6,507	8,913	Defence Services ... ..	36,029	29,554
			War Services, 1914-18 & 1939-45 ... ..	16,197	17,964
			Subsidies ... ..	3,911	3,765
			Debt Charges, N.E.I. ... ..	17,726	16,568
			Other ... ..	15,011	16,707
Total Revenue† ... ..	205,633	208,997	Total Expenditure† ... ..	207,659	209,962

\* Actual Expenditure from National Welfare Fund.

† Excluding debt charges.

‡ Excludes Self-balancing items amounting to £1,057,000 in the three months ended September 1953 and £394,000 in 1954.

§ Refunds on account of Wool Deduction have been subtracted from "Income Tax, etc."

Expenditure from Loan Fund for War and Repatriation in the three months ended September (£657,000 in 1953 and £656,000 in 1954) is included above. Other loan expenditure in this period consisted of Advances to States for Housing, £6,450,000 in 1953 and £4,100,000 in 1954.

Commonwealth Treasury Bills on issue in Australia at the end of September amounted to £205,000,000 in 1953 and £185,000,000 in 1954.

## 50. New South Wales Government : Revenue and Expenditure

REVENUE			EXPENDITURE		
Item	July–September		Item	July–September	
	1953	1954		1953	1954
	£ thousand			£ thousand	
Governmental—			Interest, Exchange, Sinking Fund and Loan Management ... ..	5,332	5,702
From Commonwealth—			Less—Recoups from other Activities ... ..	868	1,043
Towards Interest ... ..	729	729	Net Debt Charges ... ..	4,464	4,659
Reimbursement of Taxes ... ..	10,803	11,814	Other than Debt Charges—		
Stamp and Probate Duty ... ..	3,258	4,183	Governmental ... ..	16,540	18,314
Other Taxes ... ..	1,757	1,728	Business Undertakings—		
Land ... ..	364	375	Railways ... ..	16,459	16,931
Services ... ..	877	959	Trams and Buses ... ..	3,090	2,959
Other ... ..	2,595	2,640	Sydney Harbour ... ..	375	403
Total Governmental ... ..	20,383	32,428	Total Expenditure ... ..	40,928	43,266
Business Undertakings—					
Railways ... ..	17,846	18,180			
Trams and Buses ... ..	2,813	2,744			
Sydney Harbour ... ..	487	753			
Total Revenue ... ..	41,529	54,105			

Loan Expenditure on works and services in the three months ended September was gross £5,736,000 and net (i.e., gross, less repayments to loan account) £5,294,000 in 1953 compared with gross £7,372,000 and net £7,048,000 in 1954.

### 51. Australian Export Price Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician from prices of twenty commodities which normally constitute about 80 per cent. of all Australian exports. The prices are multiplied by the average annual exports (production in the case of gold) in the years 1933-34 to 1935-36.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Wool	Wheat	Butter	Metals*	Meats†	All Groups ‡	
						Excluding Gold	Including Gold
Σ (a)	45.63	17.06	11.36	6.83	6.63	...	100.00
Σ (b)	49.05	18.34	12.21	7.34	7.13	100.00	...
Year : 1938-39	79	66	101	84	96	82	83
1945-46	117	213	147	196	123	148	146
1949-50	473	400	250	421	196	399	383
1950-51	999	432	271	689	209	690	654
1951-52	564	436	291	811	263	495	473
1952-53	616	445	313	504	314	505	483
1953-54	615	411p	325	450	338	496p	474p
1953: July	641†	454	325	446	331	516	493
August	634†	446	325	450	331	511	488
September	626	443	325	438	331	506	484
October	634	428	325	450	340	509	486
November	634	414	325	458	340	508	485
December	611	413	325	442	340	495	473
1954: January	603	411	325	427	340	489	468
February	581	402	325	423	340	476	455
March	581	399	325	440	340	476	456
April	596†	381	325	467	340	482	461
May	618	372	325	474	340	492	470
June	622	369p	325	484	340	494	472
July	622†p	359p	313p	475	340	490p	468p

\* Non-ferrous—Silver, copper, tin, zinc, lead. † Beef, lamb, mutton, pork. ‡ Includes also Sugar, dried fruits, tallow, and hides. § Percentage distribution of base aggregate for "All Groups" (a) Including Gold and (b) Excluding Gold. ¶ Nominal.

### 52. Wholesale Price (Basic Materials and Foodstuffs) Index

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. Prices are drawn mainly from Melbourne sources. Apart from locally produced building materials, and one or two minor commodities, the price movements may be taken as representative of variations in wholesale prices of basic materials in most Australian markets.

From August, 1950, to 30th June, 1951, a bounty was paid on raw wool purchased for local manufacture. The effective price, that is the open market (auction room) price less bounty, has been used in calculating the index numbers in this table.

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Metals and Coal	Textiles	Building Materials	Total Basic Materials	Foodstuffs and Tobacco	Goods Principally Imported*	Goods Principally Home-produced	Total, All Groups
Year : 1938-39	103	82	97	99	103	99	102	101
1945-46	130	152	177	149	135	178	126	141
1949-50	214	434	225	214	198	223	198	205
1950-51	256	641	268	264	232	256	242	246
1951-52	343	577	370	321	281	288	305	300
1952-53	392	607	404	350	294	292	331	320
1953-54	388	566	363	332	313p	271pr	343p	321pr
1953: June	392	621	364	342	305	283	338	322
July	391	583	365	336	315	275	346	325
Aug.	389	581	365	335	336	275	360	335
Sept.	299	576	364	335	331	276	357	333
Oct.	389	576	364	334	325	273	353	329
Nov.	388	574	365	333	311	270	342	321
Dec.	388	561	365	332	304	269	337	317
1954: Jan.	384	564	365	331	305p	271p	336p	317p
Feb.	384	546	365	328	304p	269p	336p	316p
Mar.	389	545	365	330	306pr	269p	335pr	316p
Apr.	390	553	359	328	306p	266p	337p	316p
May	390	563	359	329	306pr	266p	338p	316pr
June	384	569	358	327	308p	267p	337pr	316pr
July	384	569p	358	327p	307p	266p	337p	316p
Aug.	384	529p	359	325p	308p	267p	336p	316p

\* Represents only such imported commodities as are included in the Wholesale Price Index. This index does not measure changes in import prices generally.

## 53. Wholesale Price Index Numbers, Certain Countries

Base : Average 3 years ended June, 1939=100

Period	Australia	New Zealand	South Africa	United Kingdom	Canada	United States	France
	Common-wealth Statistician	Government Statistician	Census and Statistics Office	Board of Trade	Dominion Statistician *	Bureau of Labor Statistics	Inst. Nat. de la Stat.
Year : 1938-39	101	102	100	96	95	95	112
1947-48	159	173	174	203	175	191	451
1948-49	181	180	186	218	195	194	2032
1949-50	205	184	195	237	195	186	2196
1950-51	246	210	216	288	224	211	1231
1951-52	300	243	252	321	229	213	145
1952-53	320	252	269	320	216	209	141
1953-54	321pr	248	270	320	214	209	137
1953 : Mar.	317	248	265	321	217	208	140
Apr.	322	247	265	325	214	207	139
May	321	248	267	323	215	208	139
June	322	249	268	322	216	207	139
July	325	248	268	322	216	210	137
Aug.	335	248	272	319	217	209	137
Sept.	333	248	272	318	216	210	137
Oct.	329	253	273	318	215	208	136
Nov.	321	252	271	320	213	208	137
Dec.	317	252	270	318	214	208	138
1954 : Jan.	317p	250	271	318	215	210	138
Feb.	316p	245	269	319	214	209	138
Mar.	316p	244	269	321	213	209	136
Apr.	316p	246	269	322	213	210	137
May	316pr	246	269	323p	213	210	139
June	316pr	247	271	325p	213	208	138
July	316p	n.y.a.	n.y.a.	325p	212	209	n.y.a.

\* New Series.

† New Series. Base : 1949=100.

## 54. Retail Price Index Numbers ("C" Series)

Base : Weighted Average for six Capital Cities in 1923-27=1000

(a) Sydney (Group Indexes and Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Food and Groceries	Rent, 4 and 5 Rooms	Clothing	Miscellaneous Items	Total "C" Series Index†	
					Index Number	Increase from Sept. Qr., 1939
						Per cent.
1939 : September	930	1039	841	939	933	...
1945 : June	1040	1043	1410	1163	1141	22
1947 : June	1096	1044	1540	1187	1194	28
1949 : June	1384	1048	1980	1347	1425	53
1951 : June	1943	1051	2819	1689	1875	101
1952 : June	2727	1089	3098	1997	2284	145
1952 : September	2705	1137	3125	2020	2298	146
December	2657	1188	3214	2024	2312	148
1953 : March	2664	1245	3246	2039	2338	151
June	2669	1274	3305	2044	2360	153
September	2758	1287	3276	2039	2388	156
December	2751	1299	3263	2040	2385	156
1954 : March	2738	1318	3280	2051	2391	156
June	2703	1320	3257	2045	2373	154
September	2701	1326	3250	2047	2372	154

## (b) Districts of New South Wales (Total "C" Series Index)

Quarter	Sydney	Newcastle	Broken Hill	Goulburn	Bathurst	Five Towns*
1939 : September	933	897	493	914	881	930
1945 : June	1141	1099	1193	1111	1089	1138
1947 : June	1194	1150	1237	1160	1147	1191
1949 : June	1425	1393	1504	1421	1393	1424
1951 : June	1875	1853	1939	1858	1825	1874
1952 : June	2284	2231	2360	2277	2228	2281
1952 : September	2298	2241	2390	2253	2263	2295
December	2312	2248	2379	2248	2289	2308
1953 : March	2338	2268	2385	2260	2317	2332
June	2360	2283	2397	2292	2354	2354
September	2388	2306	2426	2328	2382	2382
December	2385	2323	2434	2328	2401	2381
1954 : March	2391	2327	2432	2318	2393	2386
June	2373	2319	2425	2329	2383	2369
September	2372	2311	2410	2318	2366	2368

\* Weighted average for foregoing five towns.

† Comprising foregoing groups.

## 55. Basic Wage : Sydney, Adult Males

Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.	Month of Change.	Amount per week.
	s.		s.		s.		s.
1939: June	82	1943: Feb.	98	1946: Aug.	100	1950: Feb.	135
Sept.	81	May	98	Nov.	101	May	138
Dec.	82	Aug.	100	Dec.*	108	Aug.	142
1940: Feb.	82	Nov.	99	1947: Feb.	108	Nov.	146
May	83	1944: Feb.	99	May	110	Dec.*	165
Aug.	85	May	99	Aug.	110	1951: Feb.	173
Nov.	85	Aug.	99	Nov.	112	May	180
1941: Feb.	88	Nov.	99	1948: Feb.	114	Aug.	193
May	88	1945: Feb.	99	May	116	Nov.	207
Aug.	89	May	98	Aug.	120	1952: Feb.	216
Nov.	89	Aug.	98	Nov.	122	May	223
1942: Feb.	91	Nov.	99	1949: Feb.	124	Aug.	235
May	93	1946: Feb.	99	May	127	Nov.	237
Aug.	95	May	99	Nov.	130	1953: Feb.	238
Nov.	97				132	May	241
						Aug.†	243

**Female Wages.**—The minimum wage per week payable (Sydney) to adult females was:—

1950: Dec. 123s. 6d.	1951: Feb. 129s. 6d.	1952: Feb. 162s.	1953: Feb. 178s. 6d.
	May 135s.	May 167s.	May 180s. 6d.
	Aug. 144s. 6d.	Aug. 176s.	†Aug. 182s.
	Nov. 155s.	Nov. 177s. 6d.	

\* As a result of judgments of the Commonwealth Arbitration Court, special increases were awarded: in December, 1946, 7s. and in December, 1950, 19s.

† Current October, 1954. In September, 1953, the Commonwealth Arbitration Court abolished quarterly adjustments.

## 56. Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rates and Average Weekly Hours of Labour, New South Wales

Compiled by Commonwealth Statistician. The nominal wage and hour figures are in course of revision. The amounts shown should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as an index of changes expressed in money and hour terms.

End of Month	Average Nominal Weekly Wage Rate				Average Weekly Standard Working Hours	
	Amount—shillings		Index Number		Adult Males	Adult Females
	Adult Males	Adult Females	Adult Males*	Adult Females†		
1939 : Sept.	95.8	52.7	1870	1939	44.0	43.9
1945 : Sept.	121.1	72.3	2362	2660	43.5	43.9
1947 : June‡	132.7	82.3	2589	3029	43.5	43.9
Dec.	141.3	84.3	2757	3102	41.1	41.8
1948 : June§	149.1	92.4	2909	3402	40.0	40.0
Dec.	159.8	100.0	3117	3681	40.0	40.0
1949 : June	165.4	103.5	3227	3811	40.0	40.0
Dec.	171.9	108.1	3355	3979	40.0	40.0
1950 : June	179.3	114.3	3499	4206	40.0	40.0
Dec.	209.5	139.9	4088	5150	40.0	40.0
1951 : June	228.6	151.0	4461	5558	40.0	40.0
Dec.	255.0	171.1	4975	6296	40.0	40.0
1952 : June	270.4	183.1	5277	6738	40.0	40.0
Dec.	284.7	193.9	5555	7138	40.0	40.0
1953 : June	289.8	196.7	5655	7240	40.0	40.0
Sept.	296.1	198.4	5778	7302	40.0	40.0
Dec.	296.6	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0
1954 : Mar.	296.7	198.4	5788	7302	40.0	40.0
June	296.7	198.5r	5790	7305r	40.0	40.0
Sept.	296.7	198.6	5790	7311	40.0	40.0

\* Base : Weighted average for Australia in April, 1911 (51s. 3d.) = 1000.  
Australia in April, 1914 (27s. 2d.) = 1000.

† Base : Weighted average for  
‡ Forty-hour week under Commonwealth awards from 1st January, 1948.

§ Forty-hour week under State awards from 1st July, 1947.



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